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BOY RIDERS

Ever since the earliest epochs of history civilized peoples have used horses for work and horses for sport. Whenever horses have been used for work it has been men, not women, who have been the task masters. In warfare men have driven the chariots and ridden the trooper's mounts. On farms and ranches men drive the teams and ride the stock horses. The big drays still used for city hauling are also piloted by men.

A hundred years ago virtually all those taking part in horse sports were also men. Women in the hunting field were comparatively rare. Although many women knew how to ride and drive, their knowledge was employed in getting from place to place, rather than in sport.

How times have changed. In the hunting field, in the show ring, in combined training, and above all in the Pony Clubs, women outnumber men at the rate of about five to one. At any of such gatherings, when there are as many men as women, it is cause for comment. Except for a handful of military schools, all the schools and colleges featuring riding as part of the curriculum are for girls.

Unquestionably there are many horse sports in which women ride quite as capably as men. Although women are not permitted to compete in the Three Day Event of the Olympic Games, the winner of the last two European Championships has been Sheila Willcox on High and Mighty. A team of three women won the Dressage Gold Medal for Germany at the last Olympic Games. Britain's Pat Smythe and the United States' Carol Durand have equalled the men in international jumping classes.

Men have, it is true, retained their pre-eminence in a few sports. They still have a monopoly on riding and driving race horses, Thoroughbreds and Standardbreds, and there are only a few women trainers, exercise boys, grooms and the like at the track. Most of the professional hunt servants are strictly male. Such extra strenuous sports as polo, pato, and pigsticking remain masculine.

The problem of interesting boys in riding has been given very serious attention by teachers all over the world, particularly by the authorities of the Pony Clubs, in England and in this country. District Commissioners are required to state in their annual report the exact number of boys

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among the membership and any rise in the percentage of males is cause for rejoicing.

If we are to develop more boy riders, however, we obviously have got to do more than assemble statistics. Just what to do is a question to which there have been far too few answers. We recommend in this connection the constructive article, appearing elsewhere in this issue, by Michael Kelley who for a number of years has been a successful teacher in the Genesee Valley country (New York). As she justly points out, the way to get boys into the saddle is with a program designed for boys. Physically, mentally and socially they are quite different from girls and require a different approach.

Although teaching girls to ride is in many ways easier than teaching boys, it has a discouraging aspect in that the percentage of girls who afterwards give up riding is appallingly high—husbands and children being hard, in many cases, to mix with horses. Once boys get to like riding, however, they have a far better chance of carrying on that interest into later life. The extra time and trouble it takes to teach them is definitely well spent.

Letters.....

F.E.I. Dressage Judges

Dear Sir:

The following letter, received from the headquarters of the Federation Equestre Internationale in Brussels, may be of interest to your readers. Those interested in the Council will, of course, be responsible for their own travel expenses, but will be the guests of the Federation during the period in which the Council is in session.

I would appreciate hearing at the earliest date possible from anyone who is planning to attend this meeting in order that I may make the indicated report.

"Dear Sir:
In accordance with the decisions taken by the General Assembly of December 1st and 2nd, 1958, we take advantage in summoning the interested persons of your National Federation to the first meeting of the COUNCIL OF THE F.E.I. DRESSAGE JUDGES which will take place in BRUSSELS on March 2nd and 3rd, 1959.

The place where this meeting will be held will be communicated to you as soon as we will be informed of the eventual number of participants.

We would, therefore, very much appreciate knowing by return mail the number of participants of your National Fed-

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Friday, February 13, 1959



Earliest Opening In Maryland's History

Raleigh Burroughs

Brodea was a racemare that moved up half a dozen lengths in the mud and paid \$64.50 at Bowie a score of years ago. I never think of Bowie without thinking of Brodea. Her historic win was registered when I was at the depths of the depression. Almost everyone else had gotten over it.

If any impetus had been needed to convince me that a fellow was nuts to be going around giving out priceless advertising ideas and ingenious layouts when a properly invested \$2 could bring \$64.50, Brodea furnished that push.

She also made me conscious of the responsibility of great wealth. Going home loaded that way, I could see thugs and cutthroats all about me on the Bowie-to-Baltimore train, and did my best to look like a heavy loser. Somehow, my inner glow must have shown through, because the gent next to me observed, "Had a good day, huh?"

As nonchalantly as a man can, just after realizing that his future is secure, I replied, "Oh, I win a few," and then clammed up.

When I changed trains at Baltimore's Pennsylvania Station, and boarded the fire-breather for Timonium, I checked carefully to make sure I wasn't being followed.

One character from the racetrain boarded the commuters' special. He looked like the kind of a knave who would commit murder for far less than \$64.50.

Feigning sleep, I kept an eye on him. He paid absolutely no attention to me, which made me even more suspicious of him. A cunning one, I thought.

To my relief, he de-trained at Luther-ville. I felt like the feller who got the gold shipment through Outlaw Canyon.

You may be sure that the old Iver-Johnson was under the pillow THAT night.

With memories like that to look back on, it's no wonder that a feeling of tenderness comes over me whenever the subject of Bowie is introduced. And I like to be there on the first day of a meeting even if it is in the middle of the winter.

Opening Day At Bowie
February 7, opening day in 1959 and the earliest in Maryland's history, was

the kind of a day we used to get in April, when we were lucky.

It was ideal. "Muggins" Feldman, who is so ridiculously competent as Bowie's publicity man that many forget he has a sense of humor, announced that the crowd undoubtedly would have been larger but the warm weather had attracted many people to the beaches. Muggins also is press agent for Sunshine Park in Florida.

Even so, it was Bowie's biggest opening day crowd. The 19,037 pilgrims put \$1,424,924 through the processing machines, in nine races. The eight-race handle beat last season's opening day total.

The atmosphere never was gayer at any racetrack. As it had been well over a month since Pimlico's autumn meeting closed, the patrons of the course were eager for their hand-to-hand engagements with the tote. Their radiance combined with the rays of the bright sun to provide a warmth that I am sure was not excelled at Hialeah.

The hard-core horse-players, who had been forced to go to Charles Town, during the winter, were ecstatic over the old Bowie with the new weather.

"What has Florida got that we haven't got?" gay players were asking one another.

There is little more to a Turf enthusiast's Elysium than salubrious weather and nine races. That's what he hopes for in the world to come. And Bowie gave it to him on opening day.

The people who run Bowie took me

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right back to that afternoon when Brodea won (paying \$64.50). They were that radiant.

Red-Hot Tote Machines

The balmy day and the red-hot tote machines cast a golden aura about the place that was felt by everyone.

The quality of the afternoon was in pleasant contrast to those broiling days last summer in unenlightened New Jersey where people were overcome by the heat.

No one was overcome at Bowie.

Basking in the meteorological perfection, I felt a little ashamed of some of the observations I have slung around carelessly in the past. Last February, when that Saturday blizzard struck, I didn't stop to think that it probably was one of those once-in-a-lifetime things; I just spouted off about the discomforts of arctic living. I'll be careful of what I say in the future - so long as the fine weather holds on.

There were horses at Bowie on opening day, and some very interesting racing. The favorite in the featured Early Bird Purse did not get the worm, but those who put their savings on Honey's Tiger got money.

Honestly - and this is not in jest - I never saw so many winning players at a track. If a fellow didn't have the double, he was aboard Meantime, or Sky Light or had two across on Honey's Tiger.

Anyone quick with figures can tell you that ALL the people at the track can't win, but racecourse votaries don't actually have to come out ahead to enjoy their sport. If they "collect" a couple of times they know their handicapping is right and that's more satisfying than financial gain.

February 7 was a grand day at Bowie.

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Racing Review

Easy Mark

Sprinters were plentiful for the 25th running of Hialeah's Bahamas Stakes and fifteen answered the starter's call for the seven furlongs allowance stakes, with \$20,000 added, for 3-year-olds, on Wed., Feb. 4th.

B. Sharp's Troilus was held under restraint, but kept close to the leaders and jockey Charley Rogers rode him to a two and one-quarter lengths victory over Elkham Stable's Open View. Mrs. Ada L. Rice's Rare Rice was a nose to the rear of Open View and Wheatley Stable's The Irishman one and one-quarter lengths farther back, for fourth position. Spring Hill Farm's Octopus, the favorite, led going into the stretch, but tired and finished fifth. Troilus toured the 7 furlongs in the good time of 1.23 1/5.

The winner is a bay colt, by *Priam II-Drift Song, by *Heliopolis. He was bred by H. Well and is trained by C. Peoples. His share of the purse was \$17,190. This was his first score of 1959 in two starts. Last year he started 7 times, won three, finished 2nd once and third twice, for \$21,746.

The McLennan

Fairlawn Farm's Sharpsburg, a Calumet castoff, scored a four length victory over Mrs. S. H. Sadacca's A Dragon Killer in the 24th running of The

McLennan Handicap. Jockey J. Sellers, who rode A Dragon Killer, claimed a foul for interference in the stretch, by Jockey H. Grant on Sharpsburg, but the claim was disallowed. The McLennan was a handicap stakes, run at 1 1/8 miles, for 3-year-olds and over, with \$50,000 added. Sharpsburg's time was 1.49 over a good track.

Claiborne Farm's Nadir finished a nose behind A Dragon Killer for third money and Mrs. Ada L. Rice's Air Pilot was fourth, three and one-half lengths farther back. The other four starters in the field of eight were *Amerigo, Admiral Vee, Bardstown, and Village Idiot; they finished in the above order. Calumet Farm's Bardstown, carrying 126 pounds, was the favorite.

This was the first victory of the year for Sharpsburg, who finished 2nd to *Petare in the Royal Palm Handicap in his last outing. He now has \$47,615 for 1959, for his one win, and one second out of three starts.

Sharpsburg is a 6-year-old chestnut horse, by *Alibhai-*Nina Bruja, by Embujo, bred by Calumet Farm. He is trained by A. Puglisi, who came to Hialeah as his exercise boy and was made a trainer, when his regular trainer W. A. Croll, Jr., was unable to make the meeting due to commitments elsewhere. Roy E. Faircloth of Fairlawn Farm, the owner of Sharpsburg is a Johnson City, Tenn. automobile dealer, whose operation is of such a volume, he uses tobacco warehouses to store the gas buggies.

Santa Anita

Eight handicap horses vied for the \$25,000 added money San Pasqual Handicap, at Santa Anita, on Wednesday, February 4. The one and one-sixteenth miles handicap stakes, for 3-year-olds and upward, went to Maine Chance Farm's *Tempest II, who was ridden out to victory by Willie Shoemaker and finished one

and one-half lengths ahead of Mr. & Mrs. B. W. Martin's The Searcher. Elobee Farm's Eddie Schmidt was nosed out by The Searcher for second money. Llangollen Farm's Nashville finished a length in back of Eddie Schmidt for the short end of the purse.

*Tempest II was bred in England by E. C. Bland and is a 6-year-old bay horse by *Court Martial-Squall, by Umidwar. Willie Molter trains him. His time was 1.43 3/5 over a fast track.

The winner picked up \$16,250. He has started 4 times this year and has three victories, for \$23,625.

Santa Margarita Handicap

Santa Anita presented its 22nd running of the Santa Margarita Handicap on Saturday, February 7, a one and one-eighth miles handicap stakes for fillies and mares 3-year-olds and upward, \$50,000 added. Fifteen starters were easily lured post-ward.

C. V. Whitney's Bug Brush got off quickly, was rated close to the early pace, came to the outside to easily take command rounding the final turn and was in no danger in the stretch. Jockey Angel Valenzuela rode her and she finished two and three-quarter lengths in front of Kerr Stable's Milly K. E. Peco Ranch's Penumbra was third. C. V. Whitney's other entry Gleaming Star took down fourth money. Bug Brush ran the mile and one-sixteenth in 1.48 1/5.

This was Bug Brush's third straight stakes victory in three starts at Santa Anita this year. She pocketed \$36,600 for this effort and has banked \$66,500 for the three races. The purse put her in the \$100,000 winner class. Last year she started 14 times, won 3, finished second 3 times, and third 1 time, for a total of \$40,335. As a 2-year-old she ran only once and was out of the money.

Bug Brush is a bay filly by *Nasrullah-

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* John Constable

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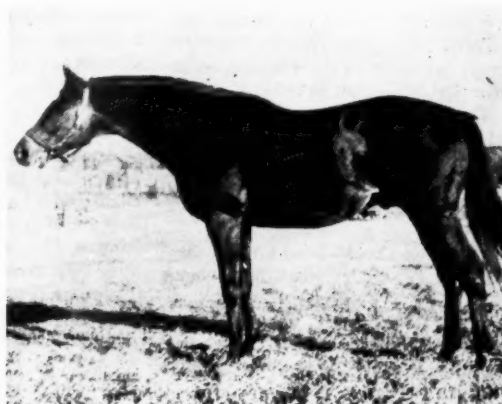


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News from the STUDS

NEW ENGLAND BREEDERS

Anne Delaney

1958 saw the NETBOA take its greatest leap forward since the group's establishment in 1950. In a concerted effort to get in step with the progress of other newly-emergent groups in states like Illinois and Florida, the association under the guidance of recently re-elected president, Norman Hall, and astute and energetic board members like Jockey Club member Bayard Tuckerman, Jr., Peter Fuller, Mrs. John Payson Adams, Lou Pieri, Talbot Dewey, etc., launched the following program:

- (1) The hiring of a full-time executive secretary and the opening of a permanent association office at 755 Boylston Street, Boston, Mass.
- (2) A thorough-going registration of local-bred foals and a survey of breeding farms owned by the members.
- (3) The third annual New England Yearling show at Rockingham Park, in conjunction with the rapidly growing Futurity, generously sponsored by Lou Smith, which will offer \$20,000 added in 1959.
- (4) The successful negotiation of substantial donations for the improvement of the breed from the Executive Management of Suffolk Downs, Rockingham Park, Lincoln Downs and Narragansett Park respectively.
- (5) Plans for a local-bred three-year-old stakes in 1959, and other home-bred stakes.
- (6) The introduction of additional proven studs and thus the attraction of quality mares to N.E. Stallion courts.

TEXAS

HART CONTINUES AT HURST

L. A. Hart, who following the recent death of his father, Col. J. O. Hart, endeavored to seek a continuance of the lease existing between the owners of the Hurst (Texas) Training Area and Hart Sr., announced this week, after a quick plane flight to Louisiana, that he had been successful in securing an extension of the lease and that the same arrangements pertaining to caring for Thoroughbreds would be in force for at least another year. Several Texas owners who have been wintering their racing stock, and also some preparing for the annual trek to Oaklawn, as well as several new stables from the Arizona and New Mexico sectors, will thus be enabled to continue training there.

B.B.

KENTUCKY

MEREWORTH YEARLINGS TO SARATOGA

Mereworth Farm, near Lexington, one of America's leading breeders of Thoroughbred horses, will sell most of its 1959 yearling crop in August at Fasig-Tipton Company's annual yearling sale at Saratoga Springs, N. Y.

The decision to sell at Saratoga was announced by Mrs. F. Warrington Gillet and Walter J. Salmon Jr., who direct the operation of Mereworth Farm. Although Mereworth sold yearlings at Saratoga years ago and still owns barns there, the farm's yearlings usually have been sold at Keeneland since the organization of Breeders' Sales Company in 1944.

Among the yearlings to be sold at Saratoga by Mereworth are a colt and two fillies from the first crop by Nashua. The colt, the first sired by Nashua, is out of stakes-winning Windmill. One filly, the first filly foal by Nashua, is out of stakes-winning Trisong, while the other filly is out of Thoris, a winning sister to Summer Tan. Other yearlings going to Saratoga probably will include colts by Native Dancer, *Turn-to, Polynesian, *Royal Serenade, *Our Babu, War Admiral, Cosmic Bomb, Shut Out, Spy Song, Mark-Ye-Well, Royal Coinage, Johns Joy, and fillies by Roman, Eight Thirty, Crafty Admiral, Sunglow, Greek Ship, Hasty Road, On Trust, and Ponder.

Mrs. Gillet and Mr. Salmon Jr., report that 88 per cent of the dams of the yearlings slated for Saratoga have won or placed in stakes or have produced horses which have won or placed in stakes. Two of the yearlings are first foals. One dam did not race, but all the others are winners and two-thirds of them won or placed in stakes.



VIRGINIA

NEWSTEAD ADDITION

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Hardin have added the three-year-old filly Great Niece, a winner and placed in stakes filly to their broodmare band at Newstead Farm. They purchased Great Niece at the Newmarket December Sales and she is by Honey Way-Sybil's Niece by Admiral's Walk.

VIRGINIA WINNERS

The Virginia Thoroughbred Association reports the following Virginians who owned or bred recent winners: R. R. Guest (Bushers Choice); Mrs. T. A. Randolph (One Tear, Gang News); W. E. Schlusemeyer (Blondie's Girl); Brookmeade (Microbe, Unleashed, Toque); N. J. Ward (Carter's Bridge); Audley Farm (One Putt, Osceola, Bobtag); J. N. Andrews, Jr. (Summer Storm, Maid of Cash); Mrs. E. H. Augustus (Credit); G. L. Ohrstrom (Dirce); James L. Wiley (Dirce); S. H. Rogers (Rich and Rare); J. P. Thayer (Burnley Boy); Mrs. L. T. Gilpin (Paylo); Mrs. G. L. Harrison (Fleet Argo); Bull Run Stud (Garrulous); C. B. Carter (War Bracelet, Royal Orphan, Batavia Best, Respeak, Sister's Boy); Montpelier Farm (Puliano, Sam Small); C. T. Chenery (Pore Jim, Surinam, Barina); Mrs. M. A. Moore (Rico Bronco, Laughing Greek); W. DuPont (Etoka); Llangollen Farm (Galarullah, Worshiper, Languid, Royal Living, Gone Fishin', Social Climber, Nashville, Iceman); C. MacLeod, Jr. (Gleeman); S. H. Rogers (Rich and Rare); Mrs. S. T. Payne (Chin Wag); Miss F. J. Shearer-F. Johnston (Chin Wag); W. W. Pearson (Come on Fred); Kentmere Farm (Roman Spark); Blenheim Farm (Levelix); J. M. Mulford (Meadow Fox); E. Johnston (Bubbles Pick); S. O. Graham (Don't No); T. E. Gilman (Bewdley, Warsaw); T. A. Caulk (Black Meteor); Mrs. L. G. Bishop (Nothing Blue); J. E. Hughes (Cortina); Mrs. G. P. Greenhalgh (Hymient); North Hill Farm (Corpy); G. P. Greenhalgh (Joe Lawler); White-wood Stud (Gawain); A. T. Taylor (Lady Doris); C. D. Steiner (Piping Pride); G. G. Waugh & Son (Little Mich).

LLANGOLLEN LINES

When C. W. Smith Enterprises' Hillsdale defeated Llangollen Farm's Royal Living in the Santa Anita Maturity it was Llangollen bloodlines which came out on top.

Hillsdale is a bay colt by Take Away-Johann, by Johnstown, which was bred by Murlogg Farm. Take Away, his sire, is a bay horse, by Aneroid-Blessed Again, by Blue Larkspur, and the breeder of Aneroid was Llangollen Stable. Aneroid is by The Porter out of Outburst by Messinger.

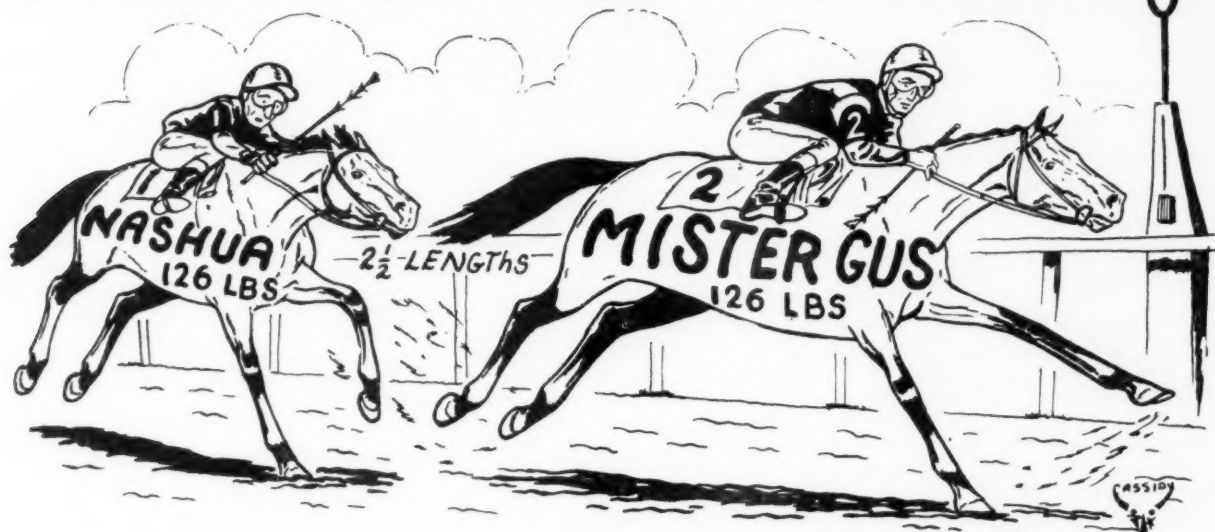
The late Dion K. Kerr, who trained Aneroid, purchased him at the Walnut Hall Sale, Boyce, Virginia, for \$800; he sold him to J. A. Manfuso. Aneroid wound up winning 17 races out of 59 starts, finished second nine times, third eight times, and earned \$73,085. That was in the thirties when \$100,000 meant a lot more than it does today.

Aneroid's son, Take Away, earned \$64,835 in 10 years of racing. Take Away was out of Aneroid's first crop and was bred by Mrs. R. J. Murphy. Hillsdale is one of the thirteen foals of racing age sired by Take Away. M.R.

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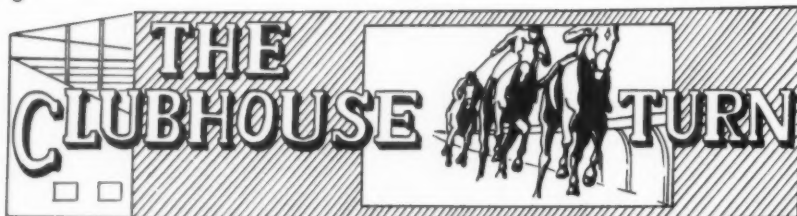
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ASSISTANT REGISTRAR

George D. Widener, Chairman of The Jockey Club, announced the appointment of Nathaniel J. (Bud) Hyland to the post of Assistant Registrar of the club, which maintains offices at 300 Park Avenue. One of the important functions of The Jockey Club is as keeper of The American Stud Book. It will be in direct connection with this phase of The Jockey Club's operation - the guardianship and protection of the American Thoroughbred horse - that Mr. Hyland will serve as assistant to Mrs. Lillian Brennan, Registrar of The Jockey Club.

Mr. Hyland comes to the newly created post with a well-rounded background in racing. He has served at New York, Maryland and Delaware tracks in various official capacities during the summer racing months while working in The Jockey Club's registration department during the winter for more than ten years. His father, the late George Hyland, was also a racing official in New York, Florida

and Louisiana for more than 30 years, while his grandfather, John Hyland, was trainer for August Belmont before the turn of the century and is one of twelve trainers enshrined in the Hall of Fame at the National Museum of Racing in Saratoga Springs.

HUNGARIAN REFUGEE

Down at Gulfstream Park there is a kid named Steve Lazok who is aiming to be a jockey. There's nothing unusual about a 22-year-old lad with the proper physical attributes wanting to be a jockey I'll admit, but there is about this one.

Steve is a Hungarian refugee who spent eight months in one of those escapee camps in Austria before a U. S. cousin in Trenton brought him over here.

He rode in 1953 through 1956 in Hungary although there was not too much opportunity there. Racing only took place on Sunday at which time there were 10 races. That didn't give an up and coming jockey much chance to develop. Not only that, but Steve says winning a big race

netted him about enough to buy a cheap pair of shoes. (If the lad gets a look at the income figures for the likes of Shoemaker, Hartack, Arcaro, et al, he will probably keel over from the shock.)

Anyway, he's going to try his hand at American race riding.

If Steve had the courage to get out of Hungary with the dangers reported attendant upon such a move, I'm sure he'll be hard to scare with a little rough riding.

R. J. Clark

BOLAND WINS GEORGE WOOLF MEMORIAL AWARD

Jockey William (Bill) Boland, who first gained riding fame as a 16-year-old apprentice when he won the famous Kentucky Derby in 1950 on Middleground, has been announced as the winner of the George Woolf Memorial Jockey Award.

Turf writers and sports editors covering the current Santa Anita racing meeting elected Boland to the honor. The 10th annual award, in the form of a cast bronze miniature of the George Woolf statue that stands in the Santa Anita paddock gardens, was presented to Boland in public ceremonies before the races at 12:15 p.m. on Lincoln's Birthday, Thursday, Feb. 12.

The award is presented in honor of the late Jockey Woolf, who lost his life in a racing accident at Santa Anita in 1946, for outstanding contributions by a jockey to Thoroughbred racing and to the riding profession. No past recipient is eligible again to win the award. Past winners, in order, have been Gordon Glisson, William Shoemaker, John Longden, Edward Arcaro, Ralph Neves, Ray York, John Adams, Ted Atkinson and Merlin Volzke.

Boland was honored, along with past winners, at the annual party on Thursday (Feb. 5) hosted by Dominic (Murphy) Sturniolo at The Derby restaurant in Arcadia founded by George Woolf.

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RACING PROSPECTS AT CANANDAIGUA

Western New York horsemen hailed the announcement last week that a second group of well-known sportsmen had applied for a license to construct a race course at Canandaigua, New York.

This group to be known as the Canandaigua Racing Association, Inc., consists of Dr. Joseph C. O'Dea, Thoroughbred breeder and veterinarian who enjoys an international reputation as an equine specialist; Luke H. O'Brien, the highly regarded racing executive who ran Jamaica, Laurel, and Empire City;

Devereux Milburn, Jr., prominent horseman, president of the U. S. Polo Association and counsel for the T.R.A.; Vincent T. (Pete) DiNapoli of the firm Tully and DiNapoli, general contractors now engaged in building the new Aqueduct Race Course; and others.

Another group known as the Finger Lakes Racing Association has also applied for a license in the locality. M.K.

TEXAS RACING

With 100,000 signatures on petitions urging passage of legislation authorizing pari-mutuel betting in Texas, proponents of the legislation are confident that it will pass and plan to attach it to a general tax law as a revenue producing measure.

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FLORIDA THOROUGHBRED BREEDERS ASSOCIATION

The annual meeting of the Association was held at 11:00 a.m., Sunday January 18, 1959 in the Board Room of the Hialeah track.

Present were: Grant Dorland, Roscoe O'Neil, Bonnie Heath, Abe Mirsky, V. L. Creal, David Nossek, A. J. Della Pietra, Bruce Campbell, Joe O'Farrell, Doug Stewart, Frederick Hilton, Elmer Heubeck, Jr., Leonard H. Hunt, Louis Bandel, Mrs. T. Christopher, Sumner Eddy, Jr., Nancy F. Eddy, Ray Metcalf, W. C. Osborne, Dan Chappell, E. W. McMahon, Carl G. Rose, Everett A. Clay, Walter Pierce and W. K. McLean. President Rose presided.

The following were elected officers of the Association for the coming year: President, Louis Bandel; Vice-President, Roscoe O'Neil; Secretary, Everett A. Clay; Treasurer, Bonnie Heath.

Directors: Dan Chappell, Grant Dorland, Elmer Heubeck, Jr., Joe O'Farrell, D. F. Stewart, Walter M. Pierce and J. W. Watson, Jr. Carl G. Rose will serve as Chairman of the Board.

A motion was made by Chappell and seconded by Heath that a "This is Your Life" book be prepared by the Association on James H. Bright for presentation to Mrs. Bright. Passed unanimously.

A motion was made by O'Farrell and seconded by Chappell that the Association endorse early racing of 2-year-olds.

Board Of Directors Meeting

A meeting of the Board of Directors was held at 12:15 p.m. Sunday, January 18, 1959 in the Board Room of the Hialeah track.

Present were: Louis Bandel, Carl G. Rose, Roscoe O'Neil, Bonnie Heath, Dan Chappell, Elmer Heubeck, Joe O'Farrell, Doug Stewart, Walter Pierce and Everett A. Clay.

The following were elected to membership in the Association: William Veeneman (O'Farrell, Heath and Stewart recommended); Charles Lovely (O'Farrell and Chappell recommended); Joseph LeCroix (O'Farrell and Chappell recommended); George Cavanaugh, Jr. (O'Farrell and Heath recommended); John Hampshire (O'Farrell and Heath recommended); James A. Bohannon (O'Farrell and Heath recommended); Philip Godfrey (Dorland and Rose recommended); J. E. McAuliffe (Heath and O'Farrell recommended); W. L. McKnight (Creal, Clay and Chappell recommended); Don Arnold (Grant Dorland recommended); Ben Benedick (Bandel, Heubeck and Zachar recommended).

TAX ADVISORY SERVICE

The American Thoroughbred Owners' Association, according to president Fred W. Hooper, has retained Lee A. Freeman, attorney and tax expert of Chicago, to assist ATOA members with federal tax problems relative to the operation of their racing and breeding farms.

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M. F. H. Association

At the annual meeting of the Masters of Foxhounds Association, held at the Union Club, New York City, on January 30th, the current officers were re-elected, namely, Gilbert Mather, M.F.H., President; Harry I. Nicholas, ex-M.F.H., Honorary Vice-President; J. Watson Webb, ex-M.F.H., Honorary Vice-President; Fletcher Harper, ex-M.F.H., First Vice-President; Newell J. Ward, Jr., M.F.H., Second Vice-President; William Almy, Jr., ex-M.F.H., Secretary and Treasurer; Denison B. Hull, ex-M.F.H., Executive Trustee of the Hunt Servants Benefit Foundation; Lucien Wulsin, Jr., M.F.H., Trustee of the Hunt Servants Benefit Foundation; Hulburd Johnston, ex-M.F.H., Trustee of the Hunt Servants Benefit Foundation; Joseph J. Jones, Clerk and Keeper of the Foxhound Kennel Stud Book. Members of the Executive Committee elected to replace those whose terms have expired were Frederic Bontecou, M.F.H., Millbrook Hunt, New York and New Jersey District; H. L. Collins, Jr., M.F.H., Radnor Hunt, Pennsylvania District; and Robert Y. White, Jr., M.F.H., Chagrin Valley Hunt, Mid-West District.

Mr. Higginson

The following resolutions were offered by Fletcher Harper, ex-M.F.H., of the Orange County Hunt: -

RESOLVED: That by the death of A. Henry Higginson, at his home in England, November 12, 1958, the M.F.H. Association of America has suffered a truly great loss. An active official of the Association, from 1909-1915 as a member of the Executive Committee; from 1915-1930 as President (when his resignation was due to his move to England); and from 1930 to his death, as Honorary Vice-President. In the latter office his keen interest in the welfare of the M.F.H.A. and his readiness to assist in any way

possible was continued; with his efforts to maintain the highest standards in the fox-hunting world, his sense of justice and fairness to all was unfailing, and entirely in accord with Henry Vaughan during their many years in office together.

We have followed with pride and satisfaction Mr. Higginson's successful Joint Mastership and Mastership in England of the Cattistock 1930-39 and South Dorset Hunts 1940-45, and the recognition of his knowledge as a breeder of hounds, when he was invited and acted as a judge at the Peterborough Hound Show.

We pay him honor and mourn his passing. In grief we extend to Mrs. Higginson and his son our deepest sympathy.

The Secretary is instructed to enter in the minutes these our expressions of what A. Henry Higginson meant to us and to forward a copy, subscribed by the proper officers, to Mrs. Higginson and to his son.

On motion duly seconded it was voted that the above be recorded in the minutes and that a copy of same, subscribed by the proper officers, be sent to Mrs. Higginson and to Mr. Higginson's son.

WAYNE-DU PAGE HUNT

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Sunday November 23rd brought out a large field, followed by a long caravan of cars. Hounds were cast in the beanfield below Lewis' and all were treated to the sight of the hounds working the drag line which led us over the post and rails into the Lewis' pasture, around Hammond's woods and back east, thence northeast around the village and thru the east country. A very welcome stirrup cup was

served about halfway thru the hunt by the Arthur Richardsons, Jr., on the Pratt's farm, and after two more lines everyone hacked home and returned to the Dunham Woods Club to act as hosts at the hunt breakfast for the landowners and farmers, this to be an annual event.

This was a most successful season, there being many more active members than ever before and the juniors being better mounted. Regulars in the field this past season were: Mrs. Wm. Allmart, Mrs. Justin Fleischman, Mrs. Garth Fisher, Miss Judith Higgins, Dr. Betsy Kjellstrom, Mrs. A. Masters, Mrs. John Odell, Mrs. Monty Orr, Mrs. J. Stone, Jr., the Messrs. Blaine Beck, Ernest Bellack, Sidney L. Drexler, Fred Farwell, Thos. G. Johnston, Dr. Theo. Kjellstrom, Brooks McCormick, Monty Orr, Fred Reed. Also juniors Susie Allmart, Noonie Burt, Becky Childs, Bonnie and Heather Farnsworth, Linda Fleischman, Beth and Ann Frago-men, Wendy and Barbara Frey, Mary Graff, Kathy Graham, Betsy Hamill, Dawn Melvin, Christie Nelson, Gordon and Maggie Odell, Peggy Richardson, Anne Ryerson, Gay Sills, Dede Smith, Lynn and Leslie Stevens, Barbara Wood.

At the annual meeting Sunday December 28th, before the election of officers for 1959, the annual puppy name auction was held. This auction - the bids being for the privilege of naming the last litter of nine pups, realized \$1170. One "spirited" bidder, who shall be unnamed, labored under the impression she was bidding for the pup itself! Then a painting by Katie Lindsay was auctioned off for \$50. to Dr. Betsy Kjellstrom. It appears that Clarence McIntyre, the huntsman, on a morning so bad he was sure there would be no hunt, was more than dismayed to find the drag solidly frozen in the barrel just as the Master and staff arrived. The painting depicted Mac astride his horse dragging the whole thing - barrel and all, very cleverly executed, (the painting, not Mac).

Officers for 1959 are as follows: Pres. Fred Farwell, Joint Masters Mrs. Corwith Hamill, Mr. George Wood; Vice-Pres. in charge of Horse Show, Richard

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Lt. Comdr. F. M. Johnson, Jr., American Naval Attache in Baghdad, gets an Iraqi Army stallion out of the irrigation ditch while hunting with the Royal Harrthiya Hunt near Baghdad. Comdr. Johnson hunted the stallion all last season and his only complaint about the horse was his love of a cool swim in the irrigation ditches.

(Bowen Photo)

Hunting in Iraq

Muriel Bowen

Since the new regime in Iraq there has been much speculation as to what will happen to the Royal Harrthiya Hunt of which the late Crown Prince Abdul Illah was patron.

Enquiries about the Hunt made to the military authorities in Baghdad have not been answered. This is strange as it was the military who were responsible for the upkeep of the hounds and the provision of horses for hunt members.

For several years now the Royal Harrthiya has been the only active hunt between Rome and Peshawar on the North West Frontier Province of Pakistan. It owed its existence to Crown Prince Abdul Illah who insisted, after the British Royal Air Force left Iraq, that hunting should continue. He gave every encouragement to the formation of the Royal Harrthiya Hunt and helped with the introduction of drafts of hounds from England.

The late King Faisal was also an enthusiastic supporter of the Royal Harrthiya, though, unlike his uncle, he did not himself ride to hounds. "I'm afraid I've always been allergic to horses," he told me when I met him in March at the last meet of the 1957 - '58 season. "But I always look forward to the opening meet at the Palace - it's a wonderful sight."

The Last Meet

The widespread interest in the Hunt was amply demonstrated at the meet at the Royal Engineering College in March of 1958, the last meet of the season. The field was like a miniature United Nations made up of Britons, Irish, Americans, French, Syrians, and White Russians, as well as a large contingent of Iraqis, both military and businessmen.

There were about 80 riders in all,

including some of the mounted police from the city of Baghdad who were having, "a day off." A French couple made the 500-mile journey from Damascus just for the one day's hunting.

The Frenchman took a great fancy to Yahmoun, the Arab Stallion lent me by Gen. Obeid, the Joint-Master, who was aide to King Faisal. "A good man on a horse like yours," he said, "would beat any Russian in a tank across here."

At this stage we had traversed an alarming collection of obstacles. Quite the worst were some of the irrigation ditches, narrow Irish-type banks of earth, each pair divided by a 4-ft ditch of water. One or other of the banks often gave way

under the weight of the horse.

This however, was not so alarming as it sounds, as there was little opportunity of loose horses disappearing into the fastnesses of the open desert. A detachment of Royal Iraqi Cavalry brought up the rear for the purpose of restoring loose horses to their fallen riders! There was also an Army pack horse or two with medical and veterinary supplies, so that casualties could be looked after in the field.

It was 91 degrees in the shade when we set off from the Royal Engineering College, but nobody appeared to give a hoot about the heat. They were out to hunt and have a good time and the fact that it was 40 degrees too hot for comfort didn't seem to matter at all. Such differences as there were in dress, as compared to the United States, such as the flowing, waist-length yellow silk head-dress worn by the huntsman were more a concession to local tradition than to the weather. Quite a few of the Iraqi Army officers who were out wore polo helmets because, as they said, they're somewhat better than bowlers for keeping off the glare of the sun.

There were several Americans mounted. One was Lt. Commander F. M. Johnson, Jr., the Naval Attache at the U. S. Embassy. "Its become a sort of tradition at the American Embassy here," he said, "that either the Military Attache or the Naval Attache hunts. The Iraqis expect us to turn out."

Another American was Ruth Campbell, daughter of General Campbell, USAF who is the senior American officer at the Baghdad Pact headquarters. Ruth had plenty of advice about the fences as she had been hunting with the Royal Harrthiya all season. "Don't worry too much," she said, "once you get over the first jump the others are easy."



The late King Faisal of Iraq discusses hunting in different parts of the world with Muriel Bowen at the buffet lunch which marked the close of the 1957 - '58 season of the Royal Harrthiya Hunt. The picture was taken in March at the Royal Military Engineering College in Baghdad.

Obstacles

As she spoke the huntsman, a charming English architect Mr. Philip Hirst and his horse disappeared over a great mound of earth. This was a bund and we were to meet many of them in the course of the day. Bunds are large mounds about 15-ft high and wide enough on top for an automobile. They were used to hold back the Tigris when in flood, but this is no longer necessary as a series of dams have recently been completed.

Apart from brief storm which sent great spirals of sand whipping about our heads and enduced some of the riders to negotiate the bunds with their eyes closed, we had an interesting day. Desert foxes are small, mealy creatures and for the most part poor sports, but we did put up two very fine jackal, almost as large as an Alsatian dog and not unlike an Alsatian in appearance. Hounds also chopped another in covert.

The meet was about 9 a.m. and we returned to the Royal Military Engineering College at 1:30 for a buffet lunch, a magnificent affair with all the noted and highly spiced Arab dishes. Buffet tables were arranged right round the four sides of a fine sweep of lawn. Ambassadors and their staffs were there and practically all the members of the Cabinet turned up for the lunch which was to celebrate the end of the Iraqi hunting season.

The late Crown Prince drove up in a big black Rolls Royce and the late King Faisal, heralded by tremendous cheering of crowds along the nearby road, arrived in a little red sports car. It was the last time that they were to meet the riding and hunting community of Iraq.

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Tuesday, January 27th, the meet was at Mr. Reeve's, but only a handful of fox-hunters braved the somewhat treacherous going to be rewarded with the best hunt the Cheshire has had this season. Beside the Master and hunt staff only Col. & Mrs. Fair, Mr. & Mrs. Ledyard, Mr. Robert Tindle, Mr. Kerr, Jr., Mrs. Deaver Alexander, her man Slim Groves, and Miss Rumsey with Dennis McKenzie were at the meet.

As the 17 1/2 couples of dog hounds moved off it was snowing hard. Everyone's eyebrows and eyelashes were caked with snow, giving a peculiar Santa Claus look. All the discomfort was forgotten, though, as hounds found in The Blind School Woods at 11:30. Scent was not burning, but holding and hounds ran well into Thompson's Hill where they swung left into the Mercer Place Woods. Here the fox was viewed away over the Coatesville Road, thru' the Woods Quarry covert into the Buck & Doe Office Woods. Running steadily hounds pushed their fox

across the Airport into the Twin Bridge Big Woods. Here Mr. Kerr had a fall breaking his thumb. In the Twin Bridge Little Woods, hounds overshot the line when the fox swung around in a hairpin turn to re-enter the southwest corner of the Twin Bridge Big Woods, but straightening themselves out, raced away to the north back to the Office Woods. Here the fox waited for hounds and all the Field had a lovely view of him as he raced away from the west side of this covert to retrace his line back thru' Woods' Quarry over the Mercer Place to skirt the Thompson Hill covert and re-enter the Blind School Woods. Hounds really ran on over these open fields, but were brought to their noses in the Blind School Woods and hunted beautifully, but more slowly, to Turner's Hill. Coming away from Turner's Hill, Ray Hayes viewed the fox into the McConnell Woods and hounds worked their way back into the Blind School Woods, where it seemed he

might have gone to ground. However, a halloo on the Stively Place put them back on the line and they ran back to Thompson's Hill. Here scent seemed to fail, but Ray once more put hounds right as he tracked the fox thru' this covert into the open on the south. AGENT '58 hit off the line and the pack went to him. Regan had to carry them on foot across the railroad track by the Kleberg unloading chutes where AGENT again led the pack over the Blind School property onto the Henley place straight into Turner's Hill where they marked their fox to ground. This was a hunt of 4 hours and 20 minutes and proved the adage that one never knows what will be a good hunting day. Conditions at the meet were about as unfavorable as possible, but despite the snow and the treacherous going, scent was holding and with a bold fox in front of them, hounds provided the best of sport for those brave enough to defy the elements.

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Huntsman John Hughes with the Fairfield County Hounds.

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FAIRFIELD COUNTY HOUNDS

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On Saturday, December 27th Fairfield County enjoyed the best hunt of this season and, in the opinion of a number of old timers, one of the top days of a number of years. It was very cold, in the low twenties, when we left the kennels around 11:30 and had been down to zero during the night. The ground was like concrete, with plenty of ice and patches of snow, but the high wind, which had been whipping the country had died away.

We set forth with misgivings as to whether hounds could run a line in such cold and several sensible members of the "older set" were heard to mutter, "Well, if they get running, I'm not going to gallop on over this going." You should have seen them later.

After drawing the swamp back of kennels, John Hughes, the huntsman, took hounds across Huntingtown Road, up through Blake's and across Albert's rocky meadow. There hounds showed considerable interest, but could not get straightened away, so we continued over to Fulton's. In the swamp there, hounds took up the line of what was apparently the same fox, which had been kind enough to "wait-up" for us. This fox turned left at Platts Hill Road and back through Fultons where we paralleled the landing strip, and, running down through Russell's fields and swamp, came out on Brushy Hill Rd., below Heise's. Here hounds were at a loss, the fox either having been turned by cars on the road, or having continued on beyond the limits of that side of our country. Hounds were lifted and we returned through Meyer's to Platts Hill Rd. This run was about one-half hour, the latter part of it quite fast, ending in a brisk gallop down the dirt road.

After trying several likely spots in a

southerly direction, we turned in off Castle Meadow Rd., at the cemetery and soon after climbing the long steep hill heard "gone away!" The fox first made a small circle in Silver's woods, which fortunately enabled the field to close up, as we had been delayed in detouring an icy slope. Then he straightened out and gave us a long gallop up through Bennett's farm, across the swamp and over the big chicken coop and stone wall below the Bulkley house. Here hounds swung left, while the field continued up over the hill and down onto Hundred Acre Road. Continuing at a gallop up the side of the slippery black-top road, we turned left into Dug Hill Lane and, hearing hounds still on our left, halted there. In a moment came hounds, right under the noses of the foremost horses, followed by huntsman and whippers-in. The fox must have only just passed. We jumped a chicken coop at right angles out of the lane and, crossing a frozen stream, (the ice sometimes hold-

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ing, sometimes breaking) climbed a vertical icy 12 foot bank. Then traversing another frozen swamp peppered with rocks and icy hummocks, we finally came to open fields. We galloped on, up a long, gradual hill and even here the going was so slippery the horses' rough shod hooves slid back several inches at every stride. At the top there was a brief check; then we entered Lewis' woods and continued a long lefthanded loop, past Morgan's pond almost back to Silver's woods. There hounds turned left again and, crossing and recrossing the lane, ran the fox back to the open fields where we had entered the woods. During all this time hounds had never been at fault for more than a moment and had worked the line perfectly in unison, giving the most beautiful music. At this point, however, they were temporarily at a loss and as we had been running at a fast pace, with only two brief checks, for an hour and a half, the huntsman and masters agreed it was time to call it a day and leave this good fox to run again.

This was the same fox which had shown good sport and run in much the same way, though not as fast or as far, when we were visited by the Golden's Bridge Hunt the previous Saturday. SSW

Wayne - Du Page Hunt

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Lightfine; Secy. Charles R. Lindsay 3rd, Treas. Horace S. French.

Permission to wear the hunt colors was given to the following: Dr. Theo. and Dr. Betsy Kjellstrom, and juniors Gay Sills, Peggy Richardson, Wendy Frey, Barbara Wood, Leslie Stevens, Clara Freeman. Permission to wear the hunt buttons was given to Judy Higgins and juniors Mary Graff, Dede Smith, Ann Durbin and Noonie Burt. Dede Smith won the honor of having been out more times than any other member. Vivienne Drexler



Fairfield County Hounds mark their fox to ground - Huntsman John Hughes.
(Ruth M. Kleeman Photo)

Friday, February 13, 1959

BRANDYWINE HOUNDS

"Brandywine Meadow Farm",
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Recognized 1901.



In the fall, scenting conditions were generally bad, but December proved to be the worst month of all. With no rain, freezing temperatures, and constant high winds, the ground became as dry and hard as in midsummer. We have had a goodly number of foxes this year, but it has been discouraging to hounds and Master to find and then lose the scent so quickly or to just have to work so hard to find any line at all.

One of our better hunts occurred on Saturday, November 15, when the hounds met at Pocopson. Scent was very strange. While hounds were drawing the second covert, whipper in, John White, viewed away a fine big fox, but hounds could not speak on it at all. Mr. Mather cast the hounds further on where the fox had gone and they honored it for a while, but they could not carry it. We drew blank for another hour when it began to rain and the wind shifted from directly south to southwest. A car follower had viewed another fox into Applegate's. The hounds opened immediately on that line and fairly flew. They went west toward Route #52, but the fox turned and the hounds swung back through Applegate's and on across Mr. Dan Cornwell's and down through the west end of Fleming's. They then swung south through Mr. Caswell's woods and down through Gen. Lyman's beautiful paddocks and on into the game preserve. Here the fox was viewed back by Mr. Mather, and the hounds, checking only momentarily, were away immediately and pulled him down in the Lyman's stream after a very fast forty minutes. Mrs. Samuel Carpenter, visiting from Vicmead, was given the brush.

Monday, November 17, was the first day in almost ten years that Mr. Mather's three daughters, Mrs. Jerry (Jane Mather) Sullivan, Mrs. Robert (Mary Mather) Bourden, and Mrs. Stephen (Ann Mather) Schwartz, were all out together. Other members of the field included Miss Nancy Nicholas, Miss Elizabeth Bosley, and Mrs. Jacques Jenney down from Unionville; Mr. James McKinnon from Elmira, N.Y.; and Dr. Robert Lawson and Mr. Wallace Nall from Los Altos Hunt in California.

John White was hunting the hounds and they found very early in the willows behind Mr. Mather's. The fox tried to go south, but he was turned back immediately by cars on the road, and the field had a good view. The scent didn't seem good, but it held and hounds worked up through Dr. Martin's and then north toward the Murtagh's. They lost here and finally were cast on across the road and down through the West Chester Big Woods. They opened up in full cry and fairly flew toward the Pig Pen. The field had quite a gallop due to having to skirt several

wheat strips. They swung west through McCoy's and on through Mather's willows and north over Lenape Hill and on into the Brandywine Meadow above Lenape Park. After another check here, they cast up along the trolley track and hit the line again on up through Hoffman's and South of the school house. They took it on through Mr. Glass' very slowly, but when they hit the freshly manured pasture in Limberger's there was no more scent and Mrs. Sullivan called it a day.

Wednesday, December 10, Hounds met at Mr. John Cornwell's Allerton Farm. There were 18 members of the Fairfield County Hounds visiting which included the Master, Mr. Chester La Roche, the Huntsman, John Hughes, and Whippers-in, Miss Sunny Pierson and Emerson Burr. Conditions were never worse as the temperature was around 28, there were very high winds and the ground was frozen. However, hounds found early in the Island Woods and took it fast to the south side of Mine Hill where the fox went to ground. Mr. Mather then cast the hounds into Mr. Harney's pines and they found quickly again. The car followers had a good view of the fox as he went out of Mine Hill across the race track. He turned south through the pines in back of Cann's Dairy Barn and on across to Barry's swamp. He turned here and made a funny loop and then went on east to the Half-way

Woods and swung north to Laird's. Laird's hill had been manured and the already scarce scent became none at all. The field was content as the fox gave us a line over some 20 fences and kept us moving on for about 50 minutes.

Saturday December 13, showed little change in weather conditions except that the ground was even drier, but we really had our best run so far. Hounds found immediately in the covert east of Bakers, and John White viewed the fox away over Davidson's. They went on south over Stewarts and then on down over Browning's. Scent was light but definitely there at all times. They went on down through Windy Hill Farm and on through Bartram's. They turned west at Gilpin's and then on to Pippin's and east through duPont's. They turned north again toward Gilpin's and then went fairly fast to Sam Cloud's. They had quite a check here and Mr. Mather finally cast them into the Marlborough Woods. They took a line out of there through the old orchard and on across Bailey's. They were really running through Battin's woods and on across to Baker's. They slowed down in Baker's and scent got so poor that Mr. Mather called it a day. A car follower informed us later that the fox had gone through a pipe under the road out of Cloud's and on into the Marlborough Woods. This

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The Barclays of The Puckeridge

Philip K. Crowe

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Our cover picture shows, left to right, Major Maurice Barclay, M. F. H.; his son Capt. Charles Barclay, Hon. Huntsman; and his father, the late Squire Edward Barclay on "Peter". The hound is Puckeridge Playmate.)

It was almost sixteen years since I last hunted with the Puckeridge - a wild windy day late in January, 1943, when hounds carried a catchy scent across the wet plow lands and finished by breaking up a big dog fox in the dark rides of Battles Wood. I had come up from my post in London as a guest of Major Maurice Barclay, the Master, and been put up on his big chestnut hunter, Chief. A wonderful day with the war almost forgotten. And recently, a decade and a half later, I was back again at Brent Pelham Hall; this time direct from the NATO Conference in Paris, where the shadow of a colder war lay on men's minds, but the alchemy of the hunting field was just as potent.

The Major still functions as Joint Master; but his son, Charles, has hunted hounds since 1947, and it was Charlie at the head of 25-1/2 couples of dog hounds who met the field of some hundred riders at Barkway Manor, just off the main street lined by the thatched cottages of Barkway village. Even though only thirty-four miles from London, this section of Hertfordshire has never attracted the week-end trippers that have done so much to spoil the counties to the South of the city. The narrow roads that wind over the rolling hills are devoid of filling stations and, except for an occasional manor or farmer's house, the long line of the hills is broken only by the various woodlands.

Typical British Meet

A meet of provincial hounds is an event for everyone. The local Vicar in his car; farm girls on bicycles; old ladies in pony traps; children on even smaller ponies; and the field, mounted on big capable hunters. It takes a strong horse to negotiate the Puckeridge plow, especially when the going is wet, and the Major told me that they had had one of the rainiest autumns on record. Before Charlie moved off, I had a close look at the hounds and was especially taken with Plymouth and Plunder, big lemon and white hounds sired by the famous Playmate in 1955. Playmate was reserve champion at the Peterborough Hound Show.

After Mrs. Peirce, the Lady of Barkway Manor, had passed around sherry, hounds moved off across the thin winter wheat to the first draw, a field of kale. Pheasants rocketed out of the plantation and a hare, disturbed on her form, galloped away; but, looking back, and noting that the pack did not resemble her old friends the Trinity Foot Beagles, sat down to view the proceedings. The covert was blank and Charlie proceeded to Rookey Wood, where hounds charged into the brambles under the gaunt shadows of the winter oaks and ashes. Two sporting farmers rode rapidly to the far end of the covert in case a fox broke, while the rest of the field sat bunched and tense at the lower end. To me, this pause as hounds are making their first draw has always been the most exciting of the day. Will they find? Where will he go? And is that damn gate still locked?

The Capon's Wood Fox

But Rookey and the adjoining Reed covert were also blank and it was not till hounds beat through the bristling wilderness of Capon's Wood that "the Thief of the World" was viewed slipping away across the Old North Road to Burrell, where he turned right handed and went to West Wood, Hawkins Wood, Lords Wood, passed close to the ancient village of Kelshall, and was marked to ground in the

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Gannock Bourne, a chalk brook. As hounds ran, they covered about ten miles and the elapsed time was somewhat over an hour. This was good time for a country so deep in mud that the plowed field looked like platters of chocolate and even the pastures sucked at horses hooves like bogs.

By four o'clock the lowering skies were darkening visibly, the field had shrunk to five stalwart gentlemen and a girl, and Charlie decided to blow home. The notes of the horn, borne sweet and clear by the bitter night wind, were gratefully received, even by those like the Major and your correspondent who had followed by courtesy of a fourteen horse power Morris.

The Barclays have a unique connection with the Puckeridge country. The Major's father, Squire Edward Barclay, was Master from 1896 to 1915, and Joint Master with his son till he died in March of 1948. I had the pleasure of a day with the Squire during the war when, despite his eighty years, he got over the country amazingly well on his good bay cob, Peter. Nor is the Puckeridge to be without another Barclay Master. Master Patrick Thomas Edward Barclay, Charlie's eight-year-old son, is always out on his pony, Twinkle.

Purely English Pack

The great advantages of continuity are strikingly apparent in the Puckeridge hounds. They are one of the very few packs in the Kingdom made up entirely of pure English fox hound blood. Most of the other packs have Welsh blood, deriving mainly from Sir Edward Curre's fine blood lines. The Brocklesby, which has been in the family of the Earls of Yarborough for generations, also boasts this pure English lineage. The Barclays have always bred for tongue and scenting ability, two necessities for a hound which has to hunt the cold 650 square miles of the Puckeridge Country.

Hounds must also be strong, for the Puckeridge hunts three days a week and every other week an individual hound may be called on twice. Last year, hounds went out sixty-nine days; killed twenty-five and a half brace of foxes, and ran eighteen brace to ground. About fifty couple are maintained in kennels.

The history of the Puckeridge Country goes back a long way. In 1722, Felix Calvert, a country squire, maintained a pack of hounds and kenneled them at Cheshunt, now in the suburbs of London. Mr. Calvert's descendents kept hounds for some generations and it was not until 1819 that the pack was named Puckeridge after the village of Puckeridge where hounds were subsequently kenneled. The greatest Master was probably Nicholas Parry, who reigned from 1838 to 1875. Every hound in today's pack goes back to Mr. Parry's Gulliver, 1859.

British and American Hunting

Unlike America, where formal fox hunting in many cases is linked to an ex-



William E. Schlusemeyer and his daughter, Sue, out with Casanova Hunt.
(Hawkins Photo)

Friday, February 13, 1959

pensive and sometimes exclusive "hunt club", the sport in England is a way of life for everyone in the county. Sporting farmers make up more than half the field and even the non-hunting land owners are, with very few exceptions, glad to have the hunt ride over their land.

Another difference between hunting men in England and America lies in the latter's obsession with jumping. Many Americans do not think they have had a day's sport unless they negotiate a great number of high and ostensibly dangerous rail fences, stone walls, or chicken coops. True, in the Shires, leaping is considered to be an important part of the day's proceedings, especially by the London "thrusters"; but the great majority of knowledgeable British fox hunters regard a jump as merely an obstacle standing between them and hounds and will invariably spare their horses the effort of leaping it, if a feasible way around is available. Very little jumping is necessary in the Puckeridge country. There are few negotiable fences and the ditches do not, to my mind, present much of a problem. The result makes it possible for children, even very young ones on tiny ponies, to enjoy the sport early in life. Thus, by early indoctrination, the British hunts are raising the boys and girls who will support tomorrow's hunting.

As the immortal Jorrock so often said, "all time that ain't spent in 'untin' is wasted".

British Beagle Breeding

The following resolution has been passed by the Joint Committee of the Association of Masters of Harriers and Beagles in England - "With a view to maintaining and improving the quality of the blood registered in the Association's Stud Book, the Joint Committee urge upon Masters the importance of breeding only from those hounds who have proved themselves to be absolutely sound in their work.

"The Joint Committee is of the opinion that work is not a primary consideration of breeders of hounds for sale on the open market, and that such hounds are bred for purposes so totally different as to leave no scope for common ground or interest as between their breeders and the Association.

"Furthermore, that the interests of hare hunting will not be furthered by the harrier or beagle gaining a position in the public estimation as a pet dog, this being one of the purposes for which unregistered hounds are being bred.

"The Joint Committee feel that the time has come when, for the guidance of Masters, the policy of the Association in this matter should be stated, and made generally known to its members, particularly with regard to the following:

"1. Surplus hounds. Members of the Association should draft only to registered packs.

"2. Bitches for service should be

accepted only from registered packs.

"There was nothing objectionable in giving hounds away as pets, but no pedigrees should be given with the hound.

"The Kennel Club had agreed not to accept beagles for showing or registration which belonged to packs that were not recognized by the Association."

Brandywine

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run provided a point of four miles south and four miles west and back to its original covert and lasted 2 hours and 35 minutes.

With the first of the year we were

hoping for a change of conditions, and Saturday, January 3, was the nicest day under foot and over head. Hounds met at Wawaset and it was simply wonderful to hear them open in full cry in Baker's woods. Unfortunately the fox wouldn't go straight away, but he did keep running for 2 hours and 10 minutes, and the hounds could really fly for the first time in almost a month. The longest point was the Northbrook Woods, and he just kept circling through Hayman's Orchards, the Wickes', the Davidson's, and back through Baker's. He did this almost four times before Mr. Mather called it a day and everyone went home very tired, but very happy.

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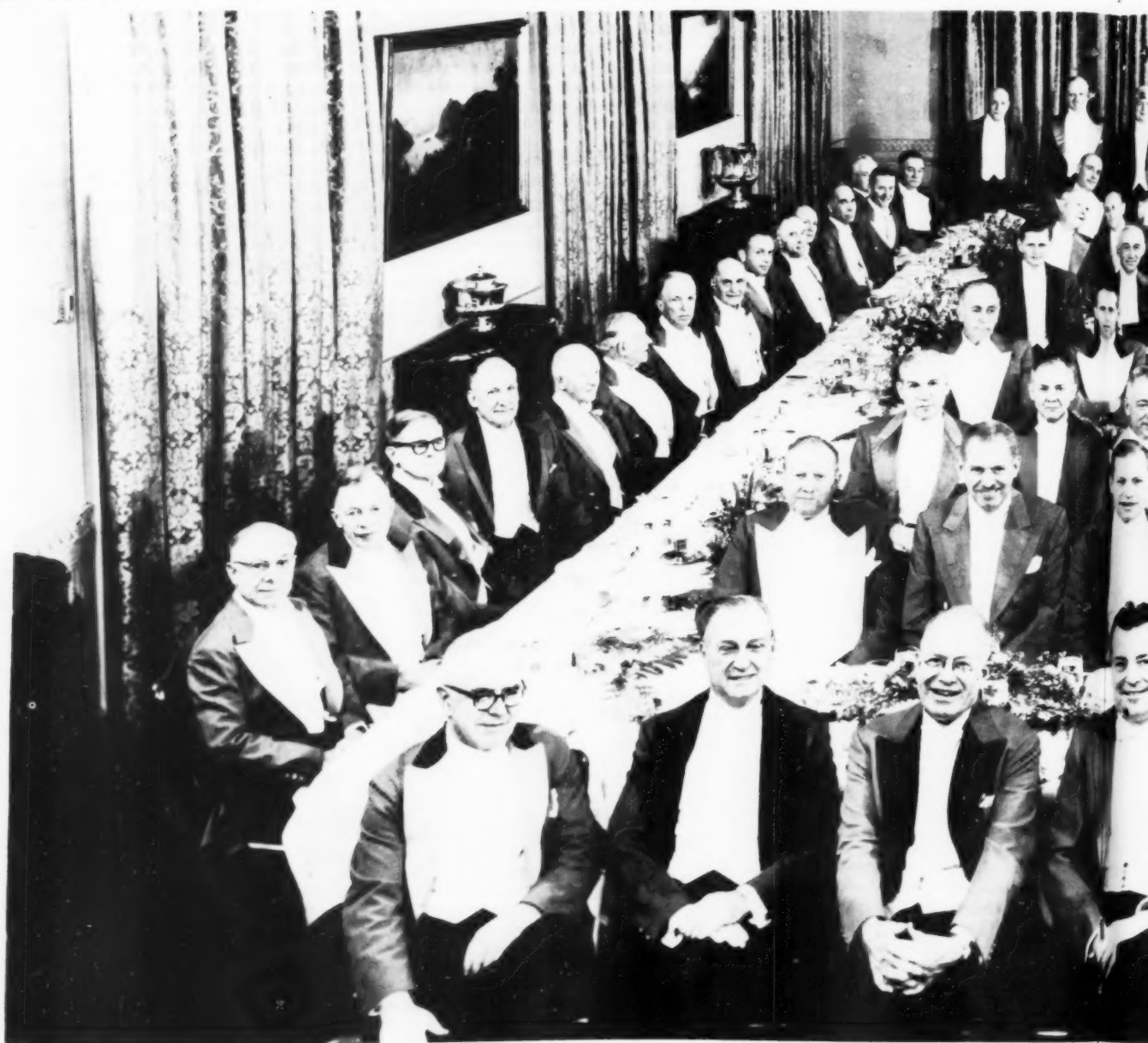
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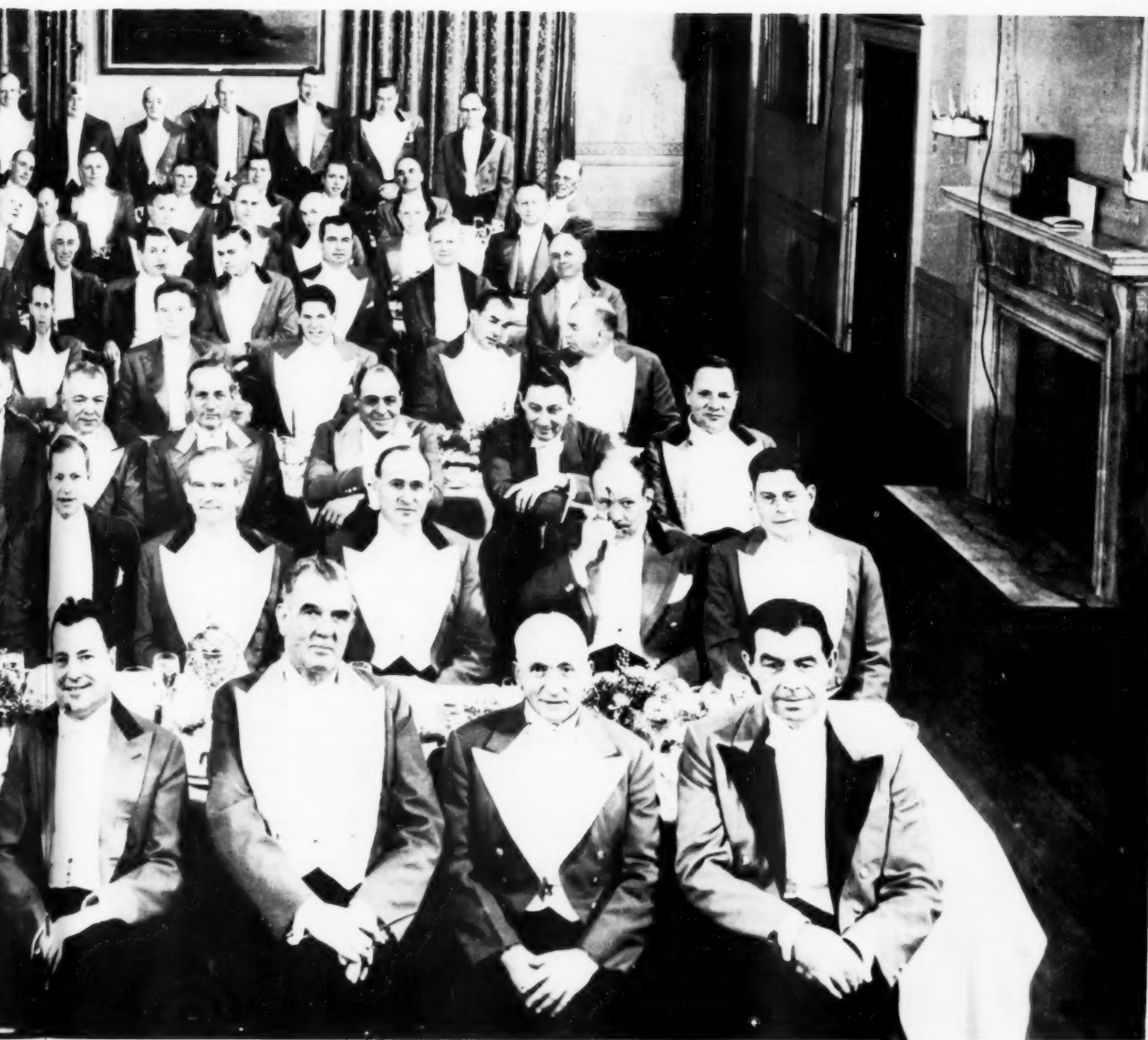
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National Western

While the 1959 National Western did not quite assume the proportions of a one-man - or more properly one-woman-show, Dion Dana, in her first full year as a professional, certainly did her best to make it just that.

Riding Crafty Queen, a competent and frequently flashy brown mare, Miss Dana practically shut out the competition in the four Hunter classes, losing a clean sweep only by virtue of a second in Hack. With the same mount, she placed second in the U.S.E.T. Challenge Trophy, a class open to both hunters and jumpers. Riding Don Myerson's notoriously difficult Red Buttons, she followed a surprising fourth in Scurry with an almost unbelievable win in Jumper Stake - all in all, not a bad record for a week that offers only ten classes.

It is regrettable that the powers that be have never seen fit to offer Championships in either Hunter or Jumper Divisions. While they can produce nothing concrete to prove their superiority, we feel it only fair and just to recognize the horses that would have received the tricolors, if there had been any tricolors to receive. In Hunter Division, Crafty Queen was obviously far in front. A notable second, however, was Marta Phipps' Royal Salute, a 15-year-old who may well have been making his last appearance

in major competition. If so, he bowed out in a blaze of glory, taking close seconds in Ladies', Open, and Stake, the last after a performance that had him called in first only to lose out to somewhat superior conformation. In his owner's absence, he was ridden throughout by elder sister Sandy.

As to the jumpers, Annette Jump's consistent Naughty Boy scored highest, winning U.S.E.T. Challenge for the second time in three years, and following up with two seconds, a third, and a fourth. Carl Baker's Nancy, a versatile veteran with three-day, as well as jumping, experience, followed by a mere two points, and was the only horse in the division with two blues.

An interesting sidelight, and one that evoked increasing spectator interest as the week passed, was the rivalry between Sandy Phipps and Wilson Dennehy, scheduled to take "the big jump" together some two months hence. Each showed two hunters and one jumper, and while the weaker sex came out a bit ahead in the ribbon department, it must be admitted that he found himself assigned to the greener and hence more difficult mounts.

G.H.P.

CORRESPONDENT: GHP.
DATE: January 16-24, 1959.
PLACE: Denver, Colorado.
JUDGE: Lieut. Col. Stuart C. Bate.
HORSEMANSHIP CH: Suzie Hughes.
RES: Kiki Ward.



HAMBONE, the Army's famed jumping mule, is living the good life these days in The Broadmoor Hotel's handsome new stables near Colorado Springs. The 21-year-old mule served his country long and faithfully before being discharged, about two years ago, from an Army pack artillery unit at Ft. Carson, Colo. He is now owned by the Pikes Peak Rodeo Assn., and performs at special events.

SUMMARIES:

Maiden jumper - 1. Witchcraft, Suzie Hughes; 2. Lakota, Wendy Bliesner; 3. Sarkeel, Loretto Heights College; 4. Bronze Knight, Bud Lutesinger.

Knock down & out - 1. Ace Hi, Annette Jump; 2. Naughty Boy, Annette Jump; 3. Nancy, Carl Baker; 4. Rocket, Bud Lutesinger.

Scurry jumpers - 1. Nancy; 2. Carousel Clown, Gerald H. Phipps; 3. Rocket; 4. Red Buttons, Don Myerson.

Open jumpers - 1. Carousel Clown; 2. Rocket; 3. Bronze Knight; 4. Naughty Boy.

Jumper stake - 1. Red Buttons; 2. Naughty Boy; 3. Ikarus, Gerald H. Phipps; 4. Ace Hi; 5. Carousel Clown; 6. Chou Chou, Col. R. L. Robertson.

U.S.E.T. Challenge Trophy, F.E.I. (hunters & jumpers) - 1. Naughty Boy; 2. Crafty Queen, Dion Dana; 3. Rocket; 4. Ace Hi.

Fault & out against time, F.E.I. (hunters & jumpers) - 1. Nancy; 2. Brutus, Nancy Catherwood; 3. Naughty Boy; 4. Cody, Sandy Phipps.

Model hunter - 1. Field Goal, J. B. Chambers; 2. Herr Fleeghangel, Annette Jump; 3. Crafty Queen; 4. Cataclysmic, J. B. Chambers.

Ladies hunter - 1. Crafty Queen; 2. Royal Salute, Marta Phipps; 3. Spring Ola, Sandy Phipps; 4. Firefly, Terry Hendricks.

Hunter hack - 1. Spring Ola; 2. Crafty Queen; 3. Field Goal; 4. Firefly.

Open hunter - 1. Crafty Queen; 2. Royal Salute; 3. Malvern, Marta Phipps; 4. Spring Ola.

Hunter stake - 1. Crafty Queen; 2. Royal Salute; 3. Cataclysmic; 4. Malvern; 5. Cody; 6. Spring Ola.

Horsemanship, 10 & under - 1. Chris Mille; 2. Marty Cantrell; 3. Linda Franklin; 4. Randy English.

Horsemanship, 11-13 - 1. Kaye Chambers; 2. Liz Jones; 3. Lynn Wilson; 4. Eileen Stomer.

Horsemanship, 14-16 - 1. Kiki Ward; 2. Suzie Hughes; 3. Bebe Lowen; 4. Sandy Owens.



SOUTH MIAMI RIDING CLUB

CORRESPONDENT: Jobie Arnold.

PLACE: S. Miami, Fla.

JUDGE: Mrs. Ann Hines Weir.

HUNTER CH: Teddy Bear, Alice O. Frazer.

RES: Handall, Hobby Horse Farm.

JUMPER CH: High Tide, Stefanie Zachar.

RES: Sputnik, Lila Phillips.

SUMMARIES:

Adult english pleasure - 1. My Gay Lady, Greynolds Park Stables; 2. Nabskar, Mountain Park Ranch; 3. Peavine's Earl, Margo Richter; 4. General, Mrs. John Gazlay.

Henry Bergh Medal - 1. Elizabeth Bell; 2. Alice O. Frazer; 3. Barbara Greenlee; 4. Simonetta Bulgarelli.

Open jumping - 1. Sputnik, Lila Phillips; 2. High Tide, Stefanie Zachar; 3. Satan, Woodside Farm; 4. Artist, Mrs. D. S. Pearl.

Green working hunters - 1. Hope of Gladewinds, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Kramer; 2. Teddy Bear, Alice O. Frazer; 3. Blue Sails, Elizabeth Bell; 4. Blitzkreig, Albert D. Hubbard Jr.

Conformation hunters - 1. Handall, Hobby Horse Farm; 2. Teddy Bear; 3. Southern Comfort, Woodside Farm; 4. Blitzkreig.

English pleasure ponies - 1. Buster Brown, Tommy Longwell; 2. Kacho, Donna Kramer; 3. Sparky, Jacquelin Lee Modisette; 4. Gladewinds Hamlet, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Kramer.

Equitation, 13 & under - 1. Jacquelin Lee Modisette; 2. Phyllis Fleische; 3. Dorothy Sears.

Hunter hacks - 1. Teddy Bear; 2. Blue Sails; 3. Hope of Gladewinds; 4. Brian, Woodside Farms.

Knock down & out - 1. High Tide; 2. Sputnik; 3. Satan; 4. Artist.

English pleasure horses - 1. Peg's Pat, Jeanne Saunderson; 2. Galimar, Mountain Park Ranch; 3. Jet Comet, Dorothy McManus; 4. Ace of Spades, Barbara Greenlee.

Costume class - 1. Rose Arie Fulton; 2. Donnie Arnold; 3. Wally Sackett; 4. Cindy Shelton.

Working hunters - 1. Teddy Bear; 2. Handall; 3. Blitzkreig; 4. Solid Red, Kay Tresslar.

Championship equitation, 12 & under - 1. Linda Piaget; 2. Gloria Jean Sobel; 3. Brienne Jorgenson; 4. Jacqueline Lee Modisette.

Green hunters - 1. Teddy Bear; 2. Southern Comfort; 3. Solid Red; 4. Blue Sails.

Championship english pleasure - 1. The Fat Lady, Claudia Richardson; 2. Shootin Mama, Jeanne Keffler; 3. Peg's Pat; 4. Galimar.

Jumper stake - 1. High Tide; 2. Sputnik; 3. Satan; 4. Ceiling Zero, Carwood Kennels.

Championship equitation, 13-17 - 1. Alice O. Frazer; 2. Elizabeth Bell; 3. Barbara Greenlee; 4. James Nicholas.



The 19-year-old pony Mark Radar, 14 hands, clearing 7 ft. 2 in. in the second High Jump Contest of the Sydney Royal Horse Show in 1951. This is the most brilliant pony high jumper that has ever competed in Australia.

(Photo courtesy P.H.A. News)

The Horse That Stands in Its Grave

Bert Reichert

Because its owner couldn't bear to see his favorite pacer prone in death, a spectacular race horse of the 1800s was buried standing up.

The horse was a Hamiltonian bay stallion, foaled in 1861 and named State Rights. Just why the horse was given that name is a matter for speculation, although the states' rights argument was a hot political issue at that time, which eventually met its supreme test in the Civil War.

State Rights was owned by Chancy F. Roberts, a racing enthusiast who operated a stud farm near Portage, Wisconsin. A natural pacer, the horse became a familiar sight at racing events, with Roberts riding the sulky behind, and won many a blue ribbon for its owner.

Strange as it may seem these days, State Rights was still racing at the age of 28, when the horse met its death. It was on July 9, 1889, at Racine, Wisconsin, and the hot track that day was too much for the aging pacer's stout heart. State Rights dropped on the track, literally dying with its boots on.

The grief stricken Roberts had the body taken back to Portage, where the horse was buried standing up, in a grave beside the track on which it had been trained to race. A marble slab, of greater elegance than many of those erected for humans, still stands on the grave. On the slab, below the figure of a running horse, the simple inscription reads: "State Rights. Died July 9, 1889. Aged 28 years."

Royal Canadian Mounted Police Jumping Team Formed

Barbara May

An official announcement, of interest not only to Canadians but also to many Americans, concerns future plans for a recently-formed Royal Canadian Mounted Police Jumping Team.

As an alternative to the ever-popular Musical Ride, a jumping team of twenty-four men and horses will, if present plans carry through, tour Eastern Canada and part of the Eastern United States, in the Fall of 1959.

The men will display their horsemanship in pattern team jumping, Roman riding and tandem riding. An intensive training program will start this spring.

Sixteen men and horses of this new "Mountie" jumping team made their official debut at Ottawa's 1958 Winter Fair, where they put on a nightly exhibition to packed houses. Judging by the applause they got each evening and the after-show comments of spectators, they proved as popular in this new role as they invariably are in the Musical Ride.

The new role is really an old role revived for, in the early days of the Force, before mechanization, crack riders of the

Royal Canadian Mounted Police won many trophies in competition.

For the present, the newly-formed jumping team will be seen on exhibition only. While some of their younger fans may miss the lances and pennons, the music and colour of the Ride, it's almost certain such nostalgia will be overruled by the enthusiasm of thousands of adults - and children too - who will welcome the change, particularly since it gives both horses and riders a better chance to display their skill.

At the time Canada won the Bronze Medal in the 1956 Olympic Three-Day-Event, the writer submitted an article which appeared in "The Chronicle", suggesting the possible formation of an R.C.M.P. Jumping Team. It's possible that the 1964 Olympics might see this a reality. At least, the formation of the new exhibition jumping team would seem a good start.

FILM CORRECTION

Since publishing our list of "Horse Movies" in our issue of January 9th, we would like to publish the following correction on the film "Schooling Your Horse" by Captain Vladimir S. Littauer, Hillside Farm, Syosset, L.I., N.Y. - Black and white, 16 mm., silent, about 1470 feet long, 55 minutes, four reels. The renting fee is \$25.00 plus the return mailing cost.

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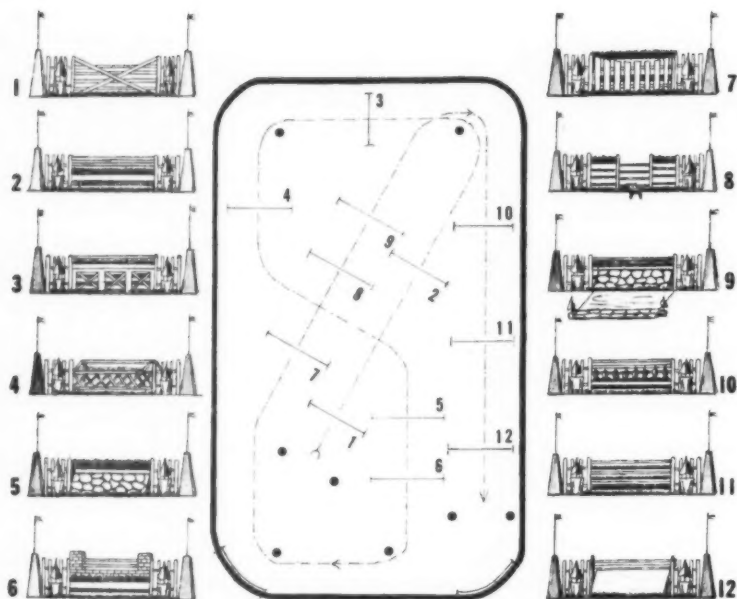
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The Winning Course - 1. Natural crossbars and bar fence behind, 4'-6"; 2. Reverse oxer, 4'-6"-6; 3. Gate and brush with rail, 4'-3"-6; 4. Sheep rack, 4'-3"; 5. Stone wall and brush on top, 4'-3"; 6. Brick wall and brush in front, 4'-6"-6; 7. Picket and brush behind, 4'-6"; 8. Stile, 4'-6"; 9. Liverpool (stone wall and brush with bar on top) 4'-6"-6; 10. Brush and post and rail behind, 4'-3"; 11. Triple bar (brush with bars on top), 4'-6"-6; 12. Chicken coop with bars on top, 5'.

Distances (combinations) - Between 5 and 6, 25' - Between 7-8, 33' - Between 8-9, 24' - Jump off over Nos. 1,2,3,4,5,6,7.

Jumper Sweepstakes - All Courses - Time allowed to complete course to be announced before class starts, based on speed of about 380 yards per minute. In the first round one-fourth fault to be charged for each second or fraction thereof by which such time is exceeded. In case of equality of faults on the jump-off, time will determine the winner.

Jumper Course Designers

The A.H.S.A. Jumper Course Designers Competition for the Mr. and Mrs. William C. Cox Trophy was awarded to Col. Alex Sysin of Stanford, California, for the course he designed for the Santa Barbara Jumper Sweepstakes Finals. "The Jury found this course an excellent utilization of the space available, an interesting line, and an unusually attractive set of fences, admirable varied. They would have preferred to see the compulsory turning points omitted, however, and noted that the combinations should have been identified in the numbering (as 5a, 5b instead of 5 & 6, etc.)." Second prize was awarded to Edward L. Bimberg, of New York, for the F.E.L. Jumper Stake Class in the New Brunswick, N. J. Horse Show. Comments of the Jury were: "A most attractive course, and a splendid set of individual fences. Perhaps a shade too much galloping is involved for the number of fences, but the overall conception of the course reveals considerable skill

and imagination." Third prize went to Dr. Robert C. Rost, for his Jumper Bonus Point Class at the Sussex County Horse Show. "The Jury agreed that this course reflected an admirable utilization of the modest materials available, and an evident expenditure of effort and thought to present something more than a routine challenge to competitors. The 3-combination (9-10-11) should have been number 9a, b, c."

About the winning course Col. Sysin writes: - I am sending you copies of the four F.E.L. courses from the Grand National Horse Show, San Francisco, as it was these courses that won, rather than those from the Santa Barbara Show. The San Francisco classes were sponsored by Mr. John A. T. Galvin, and through the full cooperation of the management and Mr. Galvin's support, I was able to design and construct the courses according to F.E.L. and A.H.S.A. specifications. The courses from Del Mar, Santa Barbara and Monterey were favorably received, but

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disqualified because the show management did not print the distances and heights of obstacles.

V.H.S.A. Meeting

The Board of Directors of the Virginia Horse Shows Association met on Sunday, Jan 25th in their Warrenton Office and elected the committees for the following year. The Board members were elected by the membership at the Annual Meeting in Richmond held on Dec. 7, 1958.

The Board Members were; Mr. George S. Aldhizer II, Mr. Fred M. Black, Mr. James H. Blackwell, president, Mrs. Lamont S. Bryan, Mrs. T. Kenneth Ellis, Mr. Lewis M. Gibb, Mr. J. C. Goodwin, Mr. Donald Hostetter, Mrs. A. Dandridge Kennedy, sec-trea, Mr. Andrew M. Montgomery, Miss Frances Newbill, Dr. Alvin L. Kay, Mrs. A. C. Randolph, Mr. Forest Taylor, vice-pres, Mr. M. Kenneth Taylor.

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Zone 7 - J. C. Goodwin, chair., Carl Hopkins, Mrs. James C. Arthur, Joe Gibb, Hugh C. Winslow.

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Nominating Committee - Carl Hopkins, chair., Mrs. W. E. Howland, Mrs. Page Jennings, Harry de Mawby, L. W. Richardson, Severn Wallace.

The Three-Year-Old award will be based on points won by a three year old in the green conformation division at the "A" shows only. Championship points won in the green conformation division will also count towards the high score award.

This year the roster of judges listed in the VHSA rule book will include all judges who are members of the VHSA regardless of their local in addition to all recognized judges in the Virginia-Carolina area.



5 ft. 10 inches without saddle or bridle is what Len Wilcox of New South Wales, Australia, accomplished in this picture which we publish through the courtesy of the P.H.A. News.

Pan American Equestrian Games

Bernard E. Hopper writes:-

I am happy to report considerable progress in preparation for the Pan American Games in Chicago.

After many laborious hours, the General Regulations are completed and approved by FEI and the Pan American Committee. The English and Spanish editions are at the printers. Both will be mailed this month.

The Dressage arena equipment is completed.

The Steeplechase jumps are completed.

Fences for Stadium jumping are completed.

Fences for Prix des Nations are about three-fourths finished.

The courses at Oak Brook are cleared and ready for construction of jumps.

Stabling will all be at Oak Brook. Number of temporary stables will depend on how many polo teams come.

We are trying to provide sufficient housing in Oak Brook area for the teams. If not possible, bus service to the downtown area will be provided.

Chairmen of all working Committees have been appointed.

The plan and places where tickets will be available will be announced soon.

The Equestrian schedule is:

September 2 - Wednesday - Dressage, Oak Brook.

September 3 - Thursday - Inspection of Three Day Courses, Oak Brook.

September 4 - Friday - Three Day, Oak Brook.

September 5 - Saturday - Three Day, Oak Brook.

September 6 - Sunday - Three Day - Stadium Jumping, Oak Brook.

September 7 - Monday - Prix des Nations, Soldiers Field.

THE LAIRD OF CLIFTON FARMS

There never was a land-owning hunter breeder who enjoyed his horses more than Dr. L. M. Allen, the Laird of Clifton Farms, on the border of West Virginia and Virginia, just north of Berryville. The International achievements of Ksar d'Esprit are a constant reminder of *Coq Gaulois and his son Coq d'Esprit. Dark grays when young, they ended their days almost white.

After his death, the Allen horses were sold. Those of us who were there will remember Coq d'Esprit, the old chap was blind. Doc's Sunday morning relaxation was to have his boys, Jack and Dave, lead out each yearling and stand them just so, to meet the super-critical eye of their owner. It was my privilege to accompany him on those occasions. Norman Haymaker was with him then, and did a wonderful job of training and showing the Clifton horses. Doc placed much dependence in him, with good reason.

At Upperville the Doctor was a regular each year. Lovely young matrons would greet him with affection. As they walked away, he would ask - "Now did I deliver her or her baby? My memory plays me tricks these days." That was the kindly extrovert, Dr. Lewis M. Allen. As he used to say, whimsically, "I was born in a briar patch." This oldster doubts if any briar patch will ever turn out his like, even in Virginia.

D. H.

WASHINGTON STATE NOTES

Mr. Max Iverson of Bothell, Washington will be the President of the Washington State Horsemen Inc. for the ensuing year. Miss Yvonne McDonald of Bothell, who has held the office of Vice President for several terms, will be the Executive Secretary. Miss McDonald will continue to be the editor of the Canter, which is the organizations official publication.

The Washington State Hunter and Jumper Association elected a new set of officers at a dinner meeting held on January 11th. Dr. J. Graham Finlay will serve as President, Dr. McMahon as Vice President, Mrs. Lloyd Shorett as Secretary and Miss Naida Whittaker as Treasurer of the Association for the coming year.

Observer



CARL MILLER

Carl Miller, Jr. of Battle Creek, Mich., proud owner of Windsor Castle, has a new open horse just recently purchased from Max Bonham. This horse is another Canadian, a Thoroughbred named "Aeromark".

N.M.B.

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The Boy Rider

Michael Kelley

There has been much concern over the lack of male riders. At most stables, large or small, the percentage of young women is usually far greater than young men. The boys apparently have no desire to cope with such fascinating animals as horses. Yet riding has all the elements of exercise, competition and outdoor living that boys seem to enjoy. Psychologists point out that the 9 to 12 years of a boy's life are filled with group activities that have all the mentioned attributes, yet the horse interest lags.

With these facts in mind and a household of very young boys, we set out to change our riding program to suit the male need. After some trial and error we ended up the summer for the first time with an astonishing number of boy riders. At our annual junior horse show the entry in the boy's equitation class had almost doubled over the previous year.

The boy beginner was started in the usual manner with the use of a lead line. But we did not start in the ring; the beginner was taught in the fields (away from any girls who could ride better). Within a short time the boys were posting and could control their mounts. This accomplished, the lead line was removed and group riding was begun. We made every effort to keep the boys in separate groups or, if that was impossible, there were at least two boys in any mixed group. Our groups do not exceed 6-8 riders as a general rule. During these rides we negotiated small banks, trotted through woods, navigated streams and generally tried to keep the ride interesting. Incidentally we did not keep up a constant babble of correction, it seemed better to make the corrections occasional-

ly, but in a firm pleasant manner.

When it seemed easy for the boys to accomplish these simple cross country exercises, we started jumping very low obstacles. This was done at a trot. The obstacles would start out as small logs, then build up to a row of single straw bales. The jumps did not exceed 18" and the horses used were steady and quiet yet responsive to reasonable leg pressure. The point of this switch in standard riding procedure was to keep the interest, but it was amazing how balance and coordination improved with this method. Canter was started after many sessions of this type of jumping and soon the boys were cantering over slightly higher obstacles.

Advocates of ring riding throw up their hands in horror at this approach to riding, but here is the surprising aftermath. The kids started to ask for ring drilling, they started to ask intelligent questions as to why this went wrong or why that was a poor jump. It is easy to teach a willing mind so the progress was very satisfactory.

We never depreciate a boy rider in any way and do not assume that they lack any riding ability. There is no doubt that the pre-teen age girl looks a hundred times better on a horse than a boy, but we have yet to find the boy who does not have the ability to stay put a lot longer than a girl.

The ring jumps stayed low, but we kept them interesting. Our course included small brush jumps, barrels (nail kegs) bars with blankets draped over them and even paper plates tacked to a bar. By the end of the season we found that everyone had benefited and best of all, the boys were sold on riding.

THE CHRONICLE Junior Essex Troop

The Junior Essex Troop was founded in 1931 as a cadet auxiliary of the 102nd cavalry (Essex Troop), New Jersey National Guard. Units were established at the Roseville Avenue, (Newark, N.J.) Armory, the Westfield Armory and the West Orange Armory.

Before the U.S. Cavalry was mechanized, the Junior Essex Troop enjoyed all the National Guard facilities including the use of the horses. Upon the elimination of the horses from the Army, The Essex Troop placed its farm on Pleasant Valley Way, West Orange, N. J. at the disposal of the Junior organization where the Junior Troop carries on as a private non-profit organization. While the horses and equipment are now owned and maintained by the Junior Essex Troop, the 102nd Armored Cavalry Regiment (Essex Troop) still sponsors the Junior Troop and encourages the carrying on of the cavalry traditions of the U. S. Cavalry. The Troop is organized as a squadron of horse cavalry. Squadron Headquarters and Troops A & C are stationed in West Orange and Troop B in Westfield. The squadron is under the command of a Cadet Major. The activities of the squadron are carried on under the direction of the cadet officers supervised by the Operations Staff (adults).

The Cadets receive training in horsemanship, animal management, mounted drill, dismounted drill, riflery and other subjects. Cadets drill twice a week, Troop drill on Saturday and platoon drill on weekdays. They are also required to report for stable duty about once every six weeks. In addition to the regular scheduled drills, other activities include the Horse Show Team, the Mounted Drill Team, the Dismounted Drill Team, dances, Training Exhibitions, the Annual Horse Show Reviews and the summer field training. The Troop also publish a weekly bulletin The Guidon.

Membership is voluntary and is limited to 190 boys between the ages of 11 and 17. This activity is a shining example of how to keep the horse world alive in this mechanized age. Solon (Max) Palmer is Commandant and Director of Horsemanship of the Junior Essex Troop and works 8 to 9 hours a day preparing for the horse show in the troop holds each year at the troop farm in Pleasant Valley Way, West Orange, N. J. (Reprinted from P.H.A. News)



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BOISE RIDING CLUB

At their annual January dinner at which time officers for the coming year were elected, the Boise Riding Club, oldest English riding club in Idaho, named Gus Walker as president; Adrian Cox, vice president; Mrs. L. Jones, secretary and Rosa Harrick, treasurer. The club is very active and holds many riding events, social affairs and participates in parades throughout the area. D.T.



Virginia Sternbergh on Star of Sahara, in the foreground, in a swimming race for horses and riders.

In The Swim

Margaret L. Smith

It's "in the water for you, Dobbin, and don't you dare balk," for one of the unique events in the annual Triple Horse Farms Horse Show near Red Lion, in York County, Pa.

For several years a swimming race for horses and riders - that is, as many as can stay on the slippery backs until the finish line - has been a feature of this show, held mainly to give beginners a chance, as well as to provide an informal good time for all. It generally is held over the Labor Day week-end.

The swimming race - highlight of the show - takes place in a pond about 50 by 150 feet, and slightly over six feet deep at the deepest.

We are indebted to Virginia Sternbergh, York R3, for information about this hilarious event. Virginia's good Arabian jumper, Star of Sahara, placed fourth this year, largely because the mare loved the water so much that it was all Virginia could do to get her out of it. Last year was the second time she and "Star" competed.

Let's let Virginia tell the story:

"When the race was called, frankly I didn't know where we were suppose to head, as I had been dressing (undressing to be exact) while the instructions were being given. Naturally we all removed our saddles and most of us removed our clothing and wore swim suits. In 1957 my friend Gladys Miller and I went in in our clothes. Last year we knew better, and wore swim suits.

"After the race was underway Gladys slipped off her horse, Lady, and was clinging to her tail when she reached shore. It wasn't until then that she mentioned that she couldn't swim!

"Most of us did slide off our horses

as they are really slippery when wet. Some clung to manes, tails, put their arms around their horses necks, or hung on any way they could. Charles Braun's palomino, Pal, went directly across the pond to win, but Star liked it so much she almost refused to come out. The first year, Star was reluctant to try anything as new to her as this, but once persuaded, she loved it, and seemed to remember it this year, for she was impatient, and pawed and splashed the water in her eagerness to get in.

"There was some question in my mind this last time as to whether Star should go in, as she had been bred in June. However, the day was warm and Star had not become overheated before the race. We gave her a good rub-down with beach towels and she showed no ill effects."

Second and third place winners last year were Trigger, owned and ridden by Leroy Folckmer, and Dusty, owned by Charles Braun, and ridden by Terry McClain.

"The race itself really highlights the show," Virginia continues. "Everyone waits to see it. The riders try to see that their horses cool off on time and we watch the weather with an eagle eye. At my first show a terrific thunderstorm came up - just after the race, luckily, and we rushed for home. I live about three miles away and Star slipped on the wet road, breaking her bridle, as well as a bone in my foot! It wasn't serious, fortunately, but I limped around for a few weeks."

The show itself is a grass-roots affair, but attracts a large crowd. Most of the

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riders wear dungarees and western shirts, in keeping with the general informality.

Many of the horses are walked over from nearby farms, and many teen-age boys and girls bring their mounts just for the good time they will have. The refreshments are delicious, Virginia reports, as they are supplied and sold by Sunday School classes. "The lemonade was REAL lemonade and the pies were home-made."

A nationally known feed company (Purina) contributes a bag of feed for every contestant, supplies the numbers and the ribbons for the winners.

Norfolk Hunt Pony Club

As only the older children ride to any extent during the winter months, other activities fill their interests in horses and horsemanship.

The youngsters go beagling, visit other stables, learn parts of the horse, saddle and bridle, and have fun with generously loaned ponies from Powers, Fenton & Begg Stables.

Each winter Dr. Frank Powers gives Veterinary Lectures, Mrs. Porter Heffinger a class in First Aid, and Miss Amelia Peabody a lecture on the anatomy

of the horse, pointing out the things to know when buying a horse. Following this is an Art Exhibit of drawings of horses and hounds at the Dover Town Hall. Three classes - divided as to age groups - are displayed and awards made.

This year the Art Exhibit on February 14th is being judged by William Steinkraus, Capt. of U. S. Equestrian Team, who is gifted in music and art as well as horsemanship. Following the judging, he is giving a lecture with films on Olympic Games and the 1958 Three Day Event at Aachen and Rotterdam. In the evening the adults will be shown the films following a dinner at the Dedham Country Club. Proceeds will benefit the U.S.E.T. and the N.H.P.C.

The winter schedule this year will terminate in plans for a Pony Club Horse Show to be held the last week in April. There will be many novice classes at this schooling show, as well as a view of possible entries for the Regional Rally.

G.M.G.

Welsh Cob Breeders' Conference

Members who attended the fifth annual conference of Welsh Cob Breeders at Lampeter on Monday, January 26th expressed the unanimous view that the future of the Welsh Cob must now be closely linked with its development as a riding animal.

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The demand for the right type of Cob definitely exists and breeders were strongly urged to abandon the traditional market in favour of an all-out campaign to secure the recognition of the Welsh Cob as an all purpose riding animal. Several cases were quoted of Cobs which were regularly hunted and whose owners were completely satisfied with their performance.

The guest speaker, Mrs. Gulbenkian of Bletchley the wife of the well known Diplomat Mr. Nubar Gulbenkian, expressed her full agreement that the Welsh Cob was an ideal riding animal, but asked breeders not to overlook its dual purpose role. She emphasised the versatility of the Welsh Cob and from her own experience could say that its ability as a riding animal was only equalled by its complementary use for driving. She maintained that it was the only breed in the height range of 14 to 15 hands with these particular qualities.

In spite of the difficult road conditions members attended the Conference from all parts of the country, including enthusiasts from the South of England, Gloucester, Church Stretton and Liverpool. The Chairman Mr. D. O. Morgan of Lampeter (Chairman of the Society's Welsh Cob Committee) was assisted by Dr. Arwyn Williams of Tregaron (Vice Chairman of the Society's Council) who made the necessary introductions and convened the discussion groups.

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A Five-Sided Profile

Robert J. Clark

William Steinkraus

As every normal child knows, Billy Steinkraus is the active and participating captain of the U. S. Equestrian Team.

Aside from his outstanding ability to ride, Billy is a most remarkable fellow. He was born 33 years ago in Westport Connecticut. He is maybe a shade shy of six feet and he is of wiry construction. He moves like an athlete which is not unusual because that's just what he is, an athlete. You're probably saying there's nothing remarkable about being born in Westport, being 33 years old, of normal physical characteristics, or being an athlete of considerable renown.

The remarkable part about William C. Steinkraus is that he would be an outstanding individual even if he had never seen a horse. Billy is one of the most articulate athletes I have ever encountered. I've encountered Eddie Arcaro and Ted Atkinson at their best too. As a matter of fact, Billy is considerably more articulate than most of the people who make their livings speaking, like trial lawyers and professors and congressmen and such.

To back up this fascinating ability of self expression, Billy has a mind like a steel trap and a tremendous fund of knowledge about a wide range of subjects. Among his non-horse interests are book binding, archaeology, and music. He can jump from a discussion in one field to another without skipping a beat or mixing a metaphor. His power of verbal expression has found an outlet in his writings on equine affairs. As a matter of fact, as a youngster of 15 summers, Billy wrote a column for this magazine under the name of Proctor Knott.

In the field of music, Billy has achieved high proficiency in playing the viola and the violin. He was good enough with the former to be a member of the Connecticut Symphony Orchestra while he was in college.

One of the characteristics which has made Billy outstanding is his studious and meticulous attention to the details of whatever he does. For example, as every good rider will do, he strides off the distances between the jumps of the course he is going to ride. To make sure he is getting his measurements correct, he takes a tape or a ruler and measures

his own stride so he won't compound an error of a couple of inches in pacing off a course. He manages to be measuring his own stride when other members of the team are around so they have taken up the habit too.

Billy rode in his first horse show in 1935 at the age of 10. Just to get things started off right, he won the blue ribbon in a beginners' horsemanship class. He topped off his junior riding by winning both the Maclay and Good Hands trophies at Madison Square Garden. Then came the war in which he participated as a member of the 124th Cavalry in the China-Burma-India theatre. His cavalry was the walking variety. They were supposed to get some horses from India but the animals didn't arrive.

After World War II, Billy graduated from Yale in 1948. He became a member of the U.S.E.T. in 1951 and rode in the Olympics at Helsinki in 1952. The team finished third in the Prix des Nations. He rode again as a member of the team in the Pan American Games in Mexico City in 1955. The following year he captained the U. S. team which finished fifth in the Olympics at Stockholm. In the same year he finished one-two in the King George V Cup at White City in London. Just now, the team is back from a successful tour of the European show rings (Aachen, Dublin, London, Ostend, and Rotterdam). Next on the schedule is the Pan American Games in Chicago in 1959.

Hugh Wiley

In point of age, Hugh Wiley, 30, is the next man on U.S.E.T. Hugh is a Free Stater from Towson where he grew up.

Hugh is affable and soft spoken. He might be considered a bit shy and boyish. As a competitor, though, there's nothing at all shy or boyish about him. He has a tremendous competitive instinct and, at his best, he is a brilliant rider. He is an instinctive rider as contrasted with a methodical one. The competitive urge is the most characteristic thing about Wiley. The bigger the stakes, the harder he goes at it.

Hugh has been an avid horseman since his pre-teen years. After competing successfully in the various phases of junior competition, he got into hunter and jumper showing where he did very well.

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Figuring he couldn't break his neck fast enough that way, he became an amateur steeplechase and timber jockey and rode around the southern meetings. He joined the U.S.E.T. in 1955 and represented the United States in the Olympics at Stockholm in 1956. In 1957, he really hit the jackpot. He won five classes in the international competitions at Harrisburg, New York, and Toronto aboard Nautical. He was the leading international rider at New York and Toronto and Sports Illustrated chose him "Rider of the Year" (if that's an honor). This year he was a member of U.S.E.T. on its successful European trip.

Wiley attended both the University of Maryland and Johns Hopkins. He's now an executive in civil engineering although I don't see how he has time for any engineering what with all this gallivanting around Europe and such.

There's something special about Nautical on which Hugh has had great success. This aged 16 hand gelding was rank before Wiley got hold of him. For some reason Hugh was able to ring the right bells in the horses's personality so that between them they have developed into what Billy Steinkraus terms a "matchless combination."

Frank Chapot

Frank Chapot is the go for broke member of the team. He too has an

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Chapot is 25 years of age and is a resident of Wallpack, New Jersey. He was born in Camden in the same state. He, like Billy Steinkraus, started his show ring activities at the tender age of ten. Four years later, in 1947, he again emulated Steinkraus by winning the MacLay trophy at Madison Square Garden. That put him at the top of the juniors.

He graduated from Wharton School of

the University of Pennsylvania in 1955. Immediately thereafter Uncle Sam welcomed him into the U. S. Air Force. Fortunately for Frank and for the U.S.E.T. he had a sympathetic commanding officer in the Air Force who encouraged his riding and cooperated when at all possible. (This really is the "new" approach in the armed forces. In my day, they took Ph.D's in chemistry and put them in the carpenter shop while at the same time taking truck drivers and putting them in the most highly technical phases of weather forecasting.) Anyway, Frank had a sympathetic c.o. under whom he was able to complete Officer's Candidate School and become a Second Lt. (outranked by any buck sgt.) and ride. He was allowed to try out for the 1956 Olympic team at Tryon, S. C. where he turned in a series of performances which put him on the team alongside Steinkraus and Wiley and off he went to Stockholm. He has been with the team ever since, including the recently-completed European tour.

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He is a leather salesman for Buxton Leather which makes small leather goods like key cases and such.

George Morris

The youngster of the team is George Morris who is only 20. He comes from New Canaan, Ct. and, despite his tender years, has been around the riding business a comparatively long time. In 1952 he became one of the few young riders ever to perform the "double play" of junior riding when he won the A.H.S.A. Medal Class and the MacLay trophy at the National Horse Show in Madison Square Garden.

George completed his freshman year at the University of Virginia and then transferred to Columbia University in New York in 1957. For the nonce, he has interrupted his education to further his riding activities with U.S.E.T.

He is another member of the team who takes his work seriously. He works hard and, although it doesn't show, he is very intense about his riding. That seems to be the common denominator of the four members of the team. It also seems to be the common denominator of anybody who is good at anything. You don't become a champion by being casual. George is very bright, which, when combined with his ability to work hard, could guarantee him nothing less than a very brilliant future. Everybody who sees him agrees to the brilliant future thing. George is the type of fellow of whom people will say a couple of years from now, "I told you so. I knew that lad had it."

Of course, in Mr. Morris' case, he already has it. In 1957, he rode the mare War Bride to victory in the Jumper Stake at the Pennsylvania National Horse Show at Harrisburg. This year, he won the Irish Government Trophy at Dublin on Night Owl. On the tour the team took in 1958, Morris won 7 individual firsts which shows that his brilliant future has already begun to be an accomplished present fact.

Bertalan de Nemethy

You can hardly have a team without a coach. U.S.E.T. has one and his name is Bertalan de Nemethy. He is 47 years of age and was born in Gyor, Hungary. That, of course, makes him one of a fiery race, the characteristics of which have not been lost in him. He is known as Bert and he is the son of a government official. Bert decided early that he wanted to be a cavalry officer, so, as it happens in the story books, he was appointed to, attended, and graduated from the Hungarian Cavalry School, and then was commissioned an officer in his chosen branch of the service. So promising was his work as a rider that he was sent to the Hungarian Cavalry Instructors School for two years.

In 1937, Bert was chosen a member of the Hungarian Olympic Team which was preparing for the 1940 Games. As we

THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

Newport, Rhode Island.
September 18, 1958.

Dear General Boye:

There has come to my attention through several sources the noteworthy accomplishments of your Equestrian Team abroad which, representing the United States, participated in a number of International Contests in Germany, Great Britain, Ireland, Belgium and Holland in the summer of 1958.

The record of the Team indicates a notable success which, of course, is very pleasing to us all. However, I regard as of far greater importance the imprint and record which your group established in the several countries abroad for their fine appearance, splendid conduct and sportsmanship as well as their equestrian skill. The Team has won an enviable acclaim from the people of other Nations and has certainly contributed to the promotion of good will and a better understanding of our country in the field of friendly competition. I am of course highly gratified. I send my warm congratulations to the Team members participating and the organization which made this record possible.

You have my best wishes and warm regards for your continued successful operations which will lead, I trust, to splendid performances for our country in the Olympic Games in Rome in 1960.

With warm regard,

Sincerely,



Brig. General F. W. Boye, USA-Ret.,
Executive Vice President,
U. S. Equestrian Team, Inc.,
Warrenton, Virginia.

Friday, February 13, 1959

POLO



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Squadron A Polo

Bill Briordy

Hitting six goals in the fourth period, Squadron A rode to a 15-to-10 victory over Westchester in a Metropolitan Polo League match at the Squadron A Armory, Saturday night, Jan. 31.

Peter Johnson, riding at No. 1, and Jack Crawford, the No. 2 man, hit five goals apiece for Squadron A. Zenas Colt, the back, collected four goals, the other being kicked in by a pony.

Westchester, getting a four-goal handicap, rode with Stuart Feicke, Adie von Gontard and Bill Westerlund. Westerlund made three goals, Feicke 2 and von Gontard one. Squadron A held a 7-5 lead at half-time.

In a preliminary match, Yale's team of Ritchie Jones, Jarrett Vincent and William Welch was aided by a two-goal allowance as it turned back the Optimists, 9-8.

Vincent paced the Elis with three goals, while Jones and Welch collected two each. Jim Hourihan led the Optimists with four goals. His teammates were John Greenleaf and Al Jerkens.

Squadron A	Westchester
1. P. Johnson	S. Feicke
2. J. Crawford	A. von Gontard
3. Z. Colt	W. Westerlund
Squadron A	5 2 2 6 15
Westchester	4 1 3 2 10

Goals - Johnson 5, Crawford 5, Colt 4, by pony 1; Feicke 2, von Gontard, Westerlund 3, by handicap 4, Referee - John Rice.

Yale	Optimists
1. R. Jones	J. Hourihan
2. J. Vincent	J. Greenleaf
3. W. Welch	A. Jerkens
Yale	6 1 0 2 9
Optimists	2 3 1 2 8

Goals - Jones 2, Vincent 3, Welch 2, by handicap 2; Hourihan 4, Greenleaf, Jerkens 3. Referee - John Rice.

Palm Beach Polo

With Mike Reynal making the plays, forcing Miami players to concentrate on him, Palm Beach Polo Club's quartet ran up its highest score of the season Sunday Feb. 1st, to wallop Miami 12 to 4.

Argentinian Reynal, with four goals, led the way in a game in which Palm Beach was never headed. The victory in the season long series cut Miami's margin to 3-2.

Attack leader Don Swerdlin of Miami spent enough time guarding Reynal that he failed to score, and in the process, unseated himself in attempting to check Reynal off the ball.

Reynal had help from Halter Cunningham, with three goals, and Chuck Bernard and Frank Willson with two each. For Miami, Preston King scored two and Ev King Jr., and Duke Stewart scored one each.

Palm Beach	Miami
1. H. Cunningham	D. Swerdlin

2. C. Bernard	P. King
3. M. Reynal	E. King, Jr.
4. F. Willson	D. Stewart
Palm Beach	2 0 3 4 1 2 12
Miami	0 2 0 0 1 1 4

Scoring - Palm Beach: Cunningham 3, Bernard 2, Reynal 4, Willson 3. Miami: P. King 2, E. King, Jr. 1, Stewart 1.

Valley Forge Polo

A goal by Kit Kerns with 57 seconds to play gave Valley Forge Military Academy's indoor polo team an 8-8 tie with a Cornell University alumni trio on Sunday, January 25, in Clothier Hall on the Wayne, Pa., campus.

Kerns' goal climaxed a last-ditch rally by the Cadets who trailed 7-5 going into the final chukker.

Cornell's trio, all former captains of university polo teams, gained a 3-2 lead in the initial frame, but the Cadets rallied to take a 5-4 advantage at halftime in the thriller witnessed by more than 200 fans.

Cornell's riders, Fred Palmer, Class of 1950, Pete Johnson, '52, and Willard Emerson, '49, tallied three times in the third chukker while shutting out the Cadets to set the 7-5 score stage for the final frame.

Bob Benedix and Jack Hubbard paced the Cadet scorers with three goals each. Kerns had two. Emerson netted four goals, Palmer, three, and Johnson, one, for the visitors.

Bob Benedix, Valley Forge Military Academy, stretches for a shot to beat the on-charging Fred Palmer, Cornell Alumni, in indoor match played at Wayne, Pa. The Contest ended in an 8-8 tie.

(Jesse E. Hartman)



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Friday, February 13, 1959

Letters To The Editor

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eration together with your wishes concerning the booking of rooms.

Hoping to read you soon, we remain,

Yours very sincerely,

Federation Equestre Internationale

In the absence of the

Secretary General

Guy J. duBois

Treasurer"

I realize that the foregoing is somewhat late for action but the letter has just reached this office. If, therefore, any of your readers are intending to attend the Council, they should contact me at once so that I may inform the F.E.I.

Thank you very much,

Walter B. Devereux

Room 3911

20 Exchange Place

New York 5, N. Y.

For The Horsemen

Dear Sir:

Am writing you these few lines to give you my opinion of your wonderful paper. I find it to be the most interesting paper and bit of news that any horseman could ever subscribe to. It has everything in it that a horseman could ever care to learn about; the shows, the hunting, the hunt-meet racing, hunters, ponies, and where they can all be found if anyone wishes to buy one and does not know just the best place to locate the type he cares for. And too, one can certainly not leave out some favorable comment for wonderfully interesting columns such as you have in every issue; such as Sedatives and the A.H.S.A., Fitness and the Rider, The Hard Highroad, and Hunter Prospects Off The Track. All of these are so brilliantly and reasonably written that the best horseman in the business would have to agree they are great.

And also, I must tell you how wonderful I think the lovely paintings are on The Chronicle cover. The ones on the Dec. 12th issue, and the one on the Jan. 9th issue are so natural in every thing about them, that only an artist that is one of the best could have painted them.

Sincerely,

Emmett Roberts

Wilmington, Delaware

"So Right"

Dear Sir:

Mr. K. C. Bresnen is so right with his letter, "Worshippers of Mediocrity". In my opinion the Olympic Dressage should be harder not easier, because it is the World Championship, not just a saddle class. After the first Olympics they cut out the jumping during the Grand Dressage. After the second they cut out the Grand Passage which J. Fillis Sr., late chief at Petersbourg, and de la Carpenterie, late chief at Saumur, praise so much in their books.

When I was a boy anybody riding with a long whip was considered a circus rider. Tickling a horse with a whip you get the semi-passage that most of the schools use now. That semi-passage is so simple and easy to get. I have 4 schooled hacks, trained in a group once or twice a week by teen-agers, it took them only about 6 months.

In the Grand Passage the knees go a little higher than the hocks. The horse must wait for the aids, go high and slow. With any wrong movement of the hands and legs you get a false tempo. Only a champion can get this movement correctly. I have one pupil that does it (not always) on a Virginia hunter. When the horse does the Passage high and shifts from side to side, it is called circus riding.

Finally, the Grand Dressage riders would do well if, from time to time, they would have moving pictures taken so they could review their progress and mistakes. I write this from my heart and for the good of the game.

Yours respectfully

Petersbourg

Junior Caps & Colors

Dear Sir:

This letter is in the form of an open letter to the Masters of Foxhounds Association of America. After about 15 years of drag hunting and two of working with the Pony Club, I finally made it to my first "National" this year. Needless to say I was impressed and thrilled but I was also disturbed by something I saw in the children's Hunter Classes. Many of the children were riding in colors (I am told there was even an 11-year-old in colors) and all of them were riding in hunt caps. On the other hand I know of more than one hunt where no child is given his or her colors until after they finish high school and where the children are required to wear derbies at thirteen. In some instances the children have hunted regularly for five or six years and are still denied their colors while at the same time they are told they are incorrectly dressed because they are wearing caps instead of derbies.

I well realize that such matters are within the realm of the "Master's prerogative" but for the youngsters' sake I am wondering if some more definite rule cannot be made so that the child from hunt X who has had as much hunting experience as the child from hunt Y can have the personal satisfaction of wearing colors too. Further more, I sincerely believe that the experienced sixteen-or seventeen-year-old riding in colors is something that both a hunt and its Master can be justly proud of. I know I found myself saying often at New York that such and such a hunt must be very fine to have such a good riding child represent it in colors that were fairly earned.

Sincerely yours,

Foxhunter

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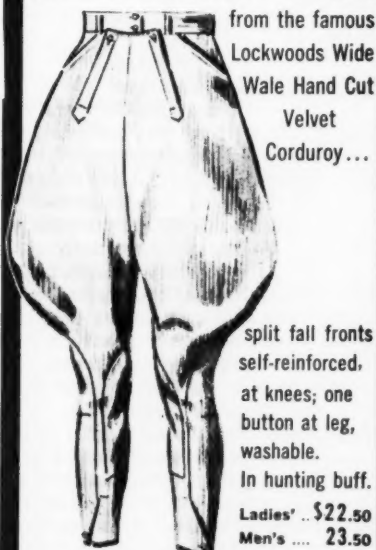
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Raleigh Burroughs

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Sitting there in the warm sun and thinking about Brodea, and Gala Bomb and Caribe Boy combining to make up the \$47.20 daily double, it occurred to me that I could learn to love winter racing.

I tried to keep those warm thoughts in mind as I drove through a short-lived blizzard two days later.

Racing Review

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Bonnie Beryl, by Fighting Fox. How this combination of names in pedigree adds up to Bug Brush puzzles the writer, but there is no accounting for the names bestowed on Thoroughbred horses.

Bug Brush is trained by R. L. Wheeler and she was bred by Belair Stud.

NEJI IN IRELAND

In his first start in Ireland, on January 29th in the Thyestes Handicap Steeplechase over 3 miles, 170 yards, Mrs. Ogden Phipps' American champion Neji ran what was considered a very creditable fifth, considering the strangeness of the fences and the deepness of the going. On February 5th, he was third, beaten a length and a half in the 3 mile Morden Handicap Steeplechase at Hurst Park in England, carrying 175 pounds, the same as the winner and odds-on favorite Lochroe. His next start is expected to be in the Leopardstown Chase in Ireland on February 21st.



W. G. JONES

William Garth Jones of Charlottesville, a brilliant rider of jumping races, of show horses and in the hunting field, and a successful trainer of the Alpine Stable, recently died at Martha Jefferson Hospital at the age of 39 of cirrhosis of the liver and yellow jaundice. He is survived by his father and mother, Dr. and Mrs. J. P. Jones. Mrs. Jones was for many years Master of the Farmington Hunt. Also surviving is his sister Mrs. Howard Haffner.

Five-Sided Profile

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know, those were never held. Nor were those of 1944. De Nemethy spent some of the intervening years as a member of his country's team competing in Europe where there was any competing left to do. During the closing stages of World War II, he made his way to Denmark with understandable difficulties. He remained there until 1952 when he came to the U. S. He became a citizen in February of this year. There is obviously more to Bert's or almost any Hungarian's war experience than the foregoing but he'd rather just leave that period alone for the usual obvious reason.

When de Nemethy came to the U. S., he first rode hunters for Norman Coates. Then he was associated with Miss Eleo Sears at the track. It so happened that in 1955, the U.S.E.T. was in New Jersey and de Nemethy was there at the same time. It also so happened that the U.S.E.T. was going to Europe for competition and it was felt that the team needed a coach. Sort of by necessity, aided and abetted by propinquity, the idea evolved that Bert de Nemethy would become the coach. He did. It has obviously worked out very well. Now all Bert has to do is to get the team ready for the 1960 Olympics and top it off by bringing home the gold medal in the Prix des Nations event.

Mr. de Nemethy is a slight man with wavy hair. He is chock full of old-world charm. He is dapper and friendly and volatile. He lives in Greenwich, Ct.

Note for the girls - none of these five is married.

CASANOVA HUNT POINT-TO-POINT

Spring Hill Farm, Casanova, Va.

February 28, 1959 Post Time 1:30 P.M.

THE LONGWOOD. Flat race for Juniors under 12 years, riding ponies 12.2 and under. Owner-rider. Catch weights. About one-half mile. Trophy.

THE TINTERN. Flat race for Juniors 18 years and under, riding ponies 14.2 and under. Owner-rider. Catch weights. About one-half mile. Trophy.

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Perhaps the most significant potential contribution to steeplechasing was voiced

Jockey Jack Leonard rode Brae Burn Farm's (James McCue) GENERAL ARTHUR to victory in the Bougainvillea Turf Handicap at Hialeah. General Arthur is a brown gelding by Count Fleet-Cigar Maid, by Pavot, bred by J. Schiffer.

(Hialeah Photo, Leo Frutkoff)



at the Biltmore Hotel in New York City in early October when Mr. John W. Hanes, President of The New York Racing Association, addressed a representative audience of racing people and pledged the all-out support of The New York Racing Association to the cause of improving steeplechase racing in this State. Mr. Hanes will institute an important public relations program and seeks to enlist the aid of patrons of steeplechase and hurdle racing to put their shoulders to the wheel. During the past season steeplechasing was deeply indebted to Mrs. Ogden Phipps who, in addition to racing NEJI, her champion steeplechaser, did an outstanding job in the over-all promotion of the through-the-field sport. Steeplechasing could use more people with the ability and enthusiasm manifested by Mrs. Phipps who has been an indefatigable worker for a sport that is an integral part of Thoroughbred racing.

The United Hunts Racing Association, organized in 1905, again conducted its two-day meeting at Belmont Park at the

conclusion of the Fall session at that race course. The quality of the racing was good as were the purses. The Commission feels that the United Hunts should also launch an all-out effort in conjunction with The New York Racing Association, Inc. to make its presence in the New York racing picture a bit more conspicuous.

There were 76 races run through the field in which 565 horses competed for purses aggregating \$508,200. Montpelier, nom de course of Mrs. Marion duPont Scott, was the leading purse winner with \$75,570, followed by Mrs. Ogden Phipps with \$56,660 and Mrs. Michael G. Walsh with \$40,180.

The owners who won \$15,000 or more are: Montpelier (Marion duPont Scott, \$75,570; Mrs. Ogden Phipps, \$56,660; Mrs. Michael G. Walsh, \$40,180; Sanford Stud Farm, \$23,910; June H. McKnight, \$20,348; Randolph C. Snowden, \$20,085; C. Mahlon Kline, \$20,080; John M. Schiff, \$19,640; Mrs. George H. Bostwick, \$17,793; F. Eugene Dixon, Jr., \$15,298; F. Ambrose Clark, \$15,165.

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Woolfe was second purse winner with \$77,840.

The leading trainers and amounts won were: D. M. Smithwick, \$126,956; R. G. Woolfe, \$77,840; M. G. Walsh, \$61,395; H. Hughes, \$26,360; S. Watters, Jr., \$26,223; J. V. H. Davis, \$25,481; H. Dixon, \$20,280; O. T. Dubassoff, \$19,640; W. B. Cocks, \$18,140; George H. Bostwick, \$17,793; J. S. Nash, \$17,703; F. T. Bellhouse, \$15,165.

The leading steeplechasers of the year, their owners and earnings follow: Benguala, Montpelier, \$57,550; Neji, Mrs. O. Phipps, \$29,644; Rythminhim, Mrs. M. G. Walsh, \$20,222; Nizam's Pet, C. R. Snowden, \$20,085; Ancestor, Mrs. O. Phipps, \$16,055; My Last Try, F. E. Dixon, Jr., \$14,743; Ragtime Cowboy, C. M. Kline, \$14,730; Dartmoor, Sanford Stud, \$12,940; Darubini, June H. McKnight, \$12,588; Basil Bee, Patrice M. Jacobs, \$12,140.



IN IRELAND

Mrs. Ogden Phipps' fine champion American chaser, Neji has, since his arrival, won golden opinions among the racing fraternity of Britain and Ireland. Frankly, he does not impress, physically, the same way as some famous chasers of the past, but this could be misleading. Looking at him for the first time I likened him to a nice three-year-old runner on the flat. He has a most intelligent head, with the eyes "right"; clean limbs and a very nice forehand. It is his intelligence, most of all, that appeals.

Recently, he had his first race over the Irish bush fences, as one preliminary to his big engagement in the Cheltenham Gold Cup, later. He ran, under top weight of 168 pounds, fifth. Among those finishing in front were two highly regarded Grand National hopes, Slippery Serpent (winner) and Mr. What, last year's winner of the Grand National. In this over 3 miles Thyestes Cup chase, at Gowran Park, Neji spent most of the time and journey, sizing up the opposition, studying the "new to him" fences. He was unhurried, never taking a chance, or doing a wrong thing that I could see. Fluency will come with practice, and when it does then I predict that Neji will make his mark in our chasing, and prove himself, not only a great champion in America, but a great performer over here.

One thing is against him: the short time before the Cheltenham top-liner, and the race practice necessary to success on our courses. In Paddy Smithwick he has a competent rider, and in trainer Dan Moore, one of the best judges of chasers in these Islands. Do not be disappointed if Neji does not make the grade, here, this year; I confidently expect him to do so in 1960, at latest. His forte appears to be "Park" Courses, not the Grand National type. P. deB.-O'B.

VENEZUELA'S PETARE

Petare, an 8-year-old horse bred in Argentina, who has won over \$200,000 in Venezuela, won the Bolivar Classico Clausura in that country at a mile and a quarter by 12 lengths on January 4th. Two weeks later he was flown to this country, spent three days in quarantine at the Miami International Airport, worked a half mile the following day at Tropical Park and then two days later won the Royal Palm Handicap at nine furlongs, beating such leading handicap horses as Nadir, Kingmaker, Sharpsburg and Amerigo, sharing top weight of 120 pounds. The rush of the Venezuelans to the Hialeah's winner's circle at the conclusion of the race was quite the most enthusiastic and overwhelming performance seen in that dignified spot for many moons.

In the Country



THOMAS J. REGAN

Thomas J. Regan, 84, New York attorney and former secretary to both William C. and Harry Payne Whitney, died at his home on Park Avenue in New York City on January 17th. Mr. Regan was interested in the Turf for many years and was a former director of the Westchester Racing Association. At his death he was secretary of the Gertrude Vanderbilt Whitney Trust and treasurer of the William C. Whitney Foundation, in addition to serving as president of Locustwood Estates, Inc.

Mr. Regan's first wife, Mrs. Aurora Cala Regan, who died in 1940, operated a breeding farm for about 15 years before her death. She bred New Broom, which sold at Saratoga in 1928 for \$75,000, and also bred the stakes winners Brooms, Little Lad, Wanderoo, Tim Flight, Transmutable, Cockerel, Magic Stream, Be Brief, and Imprudent.

Survivors include his second wife, Mrs. Violet Regan; a daughter, Mrs. Jean Gibb, of Middleburg, Va.; a son, Gordon Regan, of Huntington, L. I.; and 5 grandchildren. Another daughter, Mrs. Philip Connors, of Middleburg, Va., died in November, 1958. (Reprinted from "The Blood-Horse")

MEMPHIS POLO ASSOCIATION

At the annual meeting of the Memphis Polo Association held January 28, 1959, the following officers were elected: President, Arnold Klyce; Vice President, Frank Norfleet; Manager, Arthur Herman; Secretary-Treasurer, E. W. Cook; Board of Governors, Barclay McFadden, Dr. Fred Gioia, R. E. L. Wilson III, Winston Cheairs, Jr. and Jamie Maddox.

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VIRGINIA FOXHOUND CLUB

At the annual meeting of the Virginia Foxhound Club, immediately following the annual meeting of the M.F.H. Association in New York City on January 30th, Fletcher Harper was elected chairman and George Cole Scott, secretary-treasurer. Other members of the Executive Committee are James W. Fletcher, M.F.H., Rappahannock Hunt; Alexander Mackay-Smith, M.F.H., Blue Ridge Hunt; and William F. Wilbur, M.F.H., Warrenton Hunt. If convenient for Mrs. Marion duPont Scott, the annual show of American Foxhounds will be held at Montpelier, near Orange, Va., on August 22nd. Following the prize list of last year there will be open classes and also a group of classes for packs reporting less than 20 couple of American hounds in the Hunt Roster of 1958. It was voted to spend up to \$50 for a film of the hound show.

HUNT SERVANTS BENEFIT FOUNDATION

At the annual meeting of the M.F.H. Association of America, Denison B. Hull, executive trustee of the Hunt Servants Benefit Foundation, presented the financial report showing that pensions are now being paid to seven retired hunt servants. The value of the securities held by the Foundation have shown a satisfactory increase, which is more than can be said for the annual contributions to the fund by hunts and by individual foxhunters.

MRS. TAYLOR

Mrs. Herta Taylor, formerly of Oswego, Oregon, has recently moved to Grand Rapids, Mich., to join her cousin, Gabor Foltenyi. Together they will train and show horses, and help youngsters in that area.
N.M.B.

Alvin Untermyer presents "A Day in the Country Plate" to Miss Sterrett Kelsey who rode her working hunter Dubonnet at the Greenwich (Conn.) the 1958 Day in The Country Show, which was belatedly reported to The Chronicle.

(Freudy Photo)



THE CHRONICLE HORSEMEN'S COUNTRY CLUB

In the mountain trails country just west of Denver, Colorado, Paradise Hills, Inc., a corporation of Denver business men, is constructing a country club with riding as its principal attraction. Already nearing completion is the first structure, a 77-by 160-foot clear span, steel and masonry building which, when completed, will be one of the largest private inside show arenas for horses in the country. It will be flanked by 32 box stalls, extensive exercise corrals, stallion barn, tack lockers and an outdoor arena for horse shows and rodeos - all of which are for the use of those who buy homes in the residential development. Unit no. 2 will be a 54-by 74-foot clubhouse with fireplace, snack bar, locker, shower rooms, tack room and veterinary laboratory. A shower bath for horses will also be included. The ranch manager, foreman and grooms will be housed in a motel-type unit. There also will be a breeding barn, breaking and schooling pens, and sheds and paddocks which will accommodate an additional 100 horses.

The owners of the enterprise are Conrad R. Becker, Joe H. Kekker, Dr. Howard E. Lamb and Brig. Gen. Wayne O. Kester. The latter is the retired chief of the Air Force Veterinary Corps; a past president of the American Veterinary Medical Association; and is currently president of the American Association of Equine Practitioners.

FLOYD TO MAN o'WAR

W. B. Floyd, son of Mr. and Mrs. William B. Floyd of Fairway Farm, near Lexington, has recently accepted the position of manager of the newly created Man o'War Farm, owned by Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. DuBois of Cincinnati, Ohio. Mr. Floyd graduated from Culver Military Academy in 1952, where he was a cavalry student and a member of the Black Horse Troop. After graduating from Princeton in 1956, he saw two years of army service, having been discharged last October. A band of broodmares is being assembled at Man o'War Farm, which will also board outside mares. The stallions Buy and Sell and *Priam II will make the 1959 season there.



P.H.A., 23rd Annual Dinner - Testimonial to Charles S. Barrie - (L. to r.): Daniel Lenehan, past vice-president; Charles Barrie; Clarence "Honey" Craven, past president; John C. Franzreb, treasurer; Frank Hawkins, newly elected president; David Wright, treasurer; and David Kelley, newly elected vice president. (Budd Photo)

WINTERING AT COLUMBIA

About the horses wintering at Columbia, Mrs. Tad Legere writes: "Right now we are loaded with horses all enjoying the touch of snow we had. It is all gone and the weather is perfect to train - 30 in A.M. and 65 in P.M. - even in the 6 inch snow. The track was in good shape when snow melted and it dropped down to 20. The next morning the horses waited until about 10 or 11 A.M. and all got on it. Max Hirsch breezed a colt a half mile yesterday. We have Brookfield Farms here with 28. Intentionally is unwinding and wintering well. Cain Hoy has 21. Ralph Lowe 20. Max Hirsch 31, now, expects 18 more in next two weeks. Rand has 11, Beattie of New England has 20. Lloyd Gentry has 20, Bob Blackburn 18, Harvey Vaniev 7 and Sid Bernstein 15. So you see we are filled up."

THE DARTMOORS OF CHAGFORD

The Chronicle notes that Dartmoor ponies have been brought for Farnley Farms, through a lady DVM of Chagford, in Devon. As a very small boy this writer stayed in that village with his grandfather. Our rooms were over the bakery. The last miles of that trip from the railway were made by stage-coach. My grandfather was a big man, over six feet, yet the Dartmoor pony he rode daily carried him gallantly. The pony rented for me seemed to know that his cargo was almost a babe. He took care of me with patience and care, he had a great sense of responsibility. I was never subjected to a lead-line.

The big, fat baker made his rounds riding one pony with paniers of bread behind the saddle. Another pony carried paniers only. Dartmoors have always seemed to have the ability to cope with any job handed them. They never excite or become angry. D. H.

HOWARD PIERCE

Howard S. Pierce, vice-president and general manager of Bowie Race Course, has terminated his connection with the operation and management of the Southern Maryland Track. The decision to resign was reached by Pierce following recommendations of his personal physicians.

The resignation was tendered to the Board of Directors and terminated a Bowie Association which began with the founding of the track in 1914 by Gadsden Bryan and James O'Hara. Pierce, a nephew of Bryan, was instrumental in developing Bowie as one of the leading tracks in the country.

Pierce, the largest single stockholder in the Southern Maryland Agricultural Association (operators of Bowie), disposed of his holdings. The group which acquired control in 1952 continues to own the controlling interest.

Pierce worked at Bowie in every capacity for more than 30 years and his leadership will be missed. Donald C. Lillis, Bowie president, requested Pierce to retain his interest in the track and remain as chairman of the Board, member of the executive committee and director.

However, Pierce felt that it would not serve the best interests of his health. "I have resigned", Pierce said, "and I may add regretfully - upon the advice of my physicians. Physically I feel that I am unable to devote the full time and responsibility required to conscientiously fulfill the duties required by the position. My association at Bowie has been a pleasant one and I am grateful for the co-operation of the Bowie organization, horsemen, press and others who have helped in the success of the track".

In accepting the resignation Lillis said: "As president and chairman of the Board and speaking for the Bowie Directorate I regret that reasons of health preclude Mr. Pierce from carrying on his outstanding work as general manager and also in

pursuing his other official duties".

In addition to resigning as general manager and vice-president Pierce also relinquished his posts as Bowie secretary and resident agent, president of the Maryland Horsemen's Assistance Fund, Bowie representative of the Maryland Racing Council and director of Harford Agricultural and Breeders' Association.

Pierce will remain prominent in the Maryland Racing picture and will continue his association at Marlboro where he is vice-president, member of the executive committee and board member.

QUEEN ELIZABETH'S PLATE

Queen Elizabeth II and Prince Philip will attend the centennial running of the historic Queen's Plate at Woodbine, Ottawa, Ontario, Canada, on Tuesday, June 30th, a fixture inaugurated during the reign of Queen Victoria. The only other occasion when a British sovereign attended the running of the race was in 1939 when the Queen's father, the late King George VI, and the present Queen Mother attended the 80th running at Old Woodbine.

VA. FIELD HUNTER CHAMPIONSHIP

The Annual Virginia Field Hunter Championship for 1959 will be held on Friday March 20th, at 2:00 P.M., followed by the Keswick Hunt Hunter Trials. The event is to take place at Miss Jamie Terrill's Tall Oaks, Keswick, Va., regardless of weather. Miss Terrill is the former President of the Keswick Hunt Club.



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